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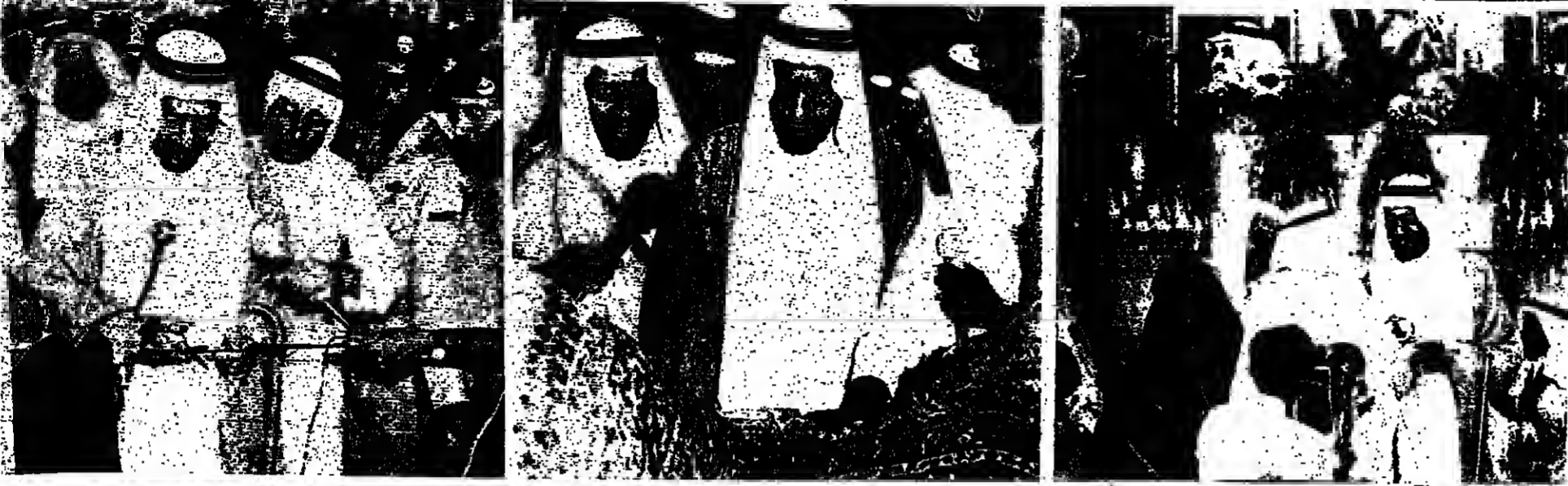
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NEW PROJECTS: King Khalid opens new projects Monday. At left he is cutting the traditional ribbon to inaugurate a factory at the Jeddah Industrial estate. At right he receives officials at the opening of the first stage of the campus of King Abdul Aziz University.

In public, private sectors

King dedicates major projects

By Elias Haddad and Javid Hassan

JEDDAH, April 13 — King Khaled Monday laid the foundation stone of a 518kms expressway to Medina, dedicated the first phase of a SR12 billion campus at King Abdul Aziz University, and opened three private sector factories worth about SR216 million at Jeddah Industrial estate.

The King also Monday opened the newly built road network in Jeddah and received an honorary doctorate from King Abdul Aziz University in recognition of his services to Islam.

Earlier Sunday King Khaled inaugurated the world's newest and costliest airport, 25kms north of Jeddah.

Communications Minister Sheikh Hussein Mansouri said the new road, to be built according to international specifications, will start from Medina south, to Al Oudaimah, 150 kms north of Makkah.

From Al Oudaimah a branch of the three-lane, two-way road will continue to Jeddah and another to Makkah.

"The road is one of tens of projects the Communications Ministry is building to serve the regions of the Kingdom with a modern network", the minister told the ceremony.

He added that the Kingdom, "has the most advanced and longest road network in the Middle East."

An hour later King Khaled opened the first stage of KAU campus at 11 a.m. By a remote control, the King unveiled the plaque of the Faculty and Staff housing project at a cost of SR318.2 million.

The first phase of the SR12 billion campus, includes also student apartments scheduled for completion in June 1981 and at a cost of SR143.94 million and a water reservoir built last June at a cost of SR11 million.

The first stage projects were built by the South Korean Daelin Industrial Co, whose President Joon Yong Lee and South Korea's Ambassador H.E. Jang also were at the inauguration ceremony.

In a welcoming speech, Minister of Higher Education, Sheikh Hassan Al Sheikh said "words fall short to express happiness with your visit to the university".

He stressed to the King that Saudi Arabian graduates "are sincerely contributing towards the development of their homeland".

The minister's speech was followed by Dr. Abdullah Nasif, rector of the university, who announced the honorary doctorate to King Khaled.

"Your visit caps 15 years to the establishment of this university", he said. Or, Nasif added that government support enabled the university to achieve progress."

He said that the number of students rose from 500 to 16,000 in the last ten years. The university's budget also soared from SR3 million to SR16 billion in the same period.

Dr. Nasif added that total cost of the campus will reach SR12 billion in seven years.

Both road and campus ceremonies were attended by Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard; Prince Abdul Mohsen Ibn Abdul Aziz, governor of Medina; and Prince Sultan, the minister of defense and civil aviation.

The king was received upon arrival at the campus by Prince Abdullah Al Faisal; Prince

By New York's speedy CHIPS

Depositors gain from new changes

By Nigel Harvey

JEDDAH, April 13 — Chase Manhattan Vice President Robert Mahar Monday briefed local bankers on the efficiency of a new clearing system by New York banks as of Oct. 1.

He said the New York Clearing House Payments System (CHIPS) will, as of that date, switch from "next day" settlement of transactions to the "same day" settlement.

The primary intention of the new CHIPS is to guarantee that the customer enjoys the benefit of having his accounts credited immediately with the available funds on the same day of the transaction.

The present system creates a situation whereby the large clearing banks in New York virtually "have free money" for one day which they could invest in the interbank market at overnight rates.

The old system was simple — transactions were effected for a certain value-day, but in effect, the customer, although being credited with a ledger balance account, did not have the use of these funds till next day.

The new CHIPS system will merge the ledger balance to make it immediately available balance.

Mahar claimed that beyond domestic U.S. banking transactions, CHIPS clears over 90 per cent of international foreign exchange business. On an average day, he said, CHIPS clears over 50,000 transactions worth \$150-160 billion.

The effects of the change on banking practices worldwide are still being determined, Mahar said during a presentation here. But the faster settlements — on the same day of the transaction instead of the next one as before — will make money available faster and put pressure on the banks to process their transactions more efficiently, he said.

Mahar warned the Jeddah bankers that under the new system, banking transactions through New York, would have to be completed by 4:30 p.m. New York time to allow CHIPS central computer to tally the day's business.

Under the current system which closes settlements at 10 a.m. the next morning, banks, he said, found they could enter transactions later. Under the new system, delayed entries would be much more costly to the customer, he said.

Local bankers said that Mahar's presentation that they expected the new system to affect their "dollar-dollar exchange rates as well as simplify interest rates on the dollar deposits outside the U.S., called Eurodollars.

At the moment, the Jeddah bankers said, when they buy dollars for riyals they lose the money for a day while the transactions is being processed through their various accounts through CHIPS. This is calculated into the exchange rates. It is also a drain on riyal liquidity, they said, so the faster system is expected to lower marginally but permanently riyal interest rates.

Eurodollar interest rates will become simpler, because bankers need no longer to allow for delays in CHIPS to make money available to borrowers, Mahar said.

Gold down \$21; dollar shoots up

LONDON, April 13 (Agencies) — Gold prices plunged as the dollar made solid gains against all the key currencies on the European markets Monday. In London, gold fell by as much as \$21 an ounce. Higher interest rates, which make it more expensive to finance speculative holdings, together with concern over Poland, led to gold's sharp decline, while boosting dollar rates.

In Tokyo, the dollar closed at 216.60 yen, more than two yen up on Friday's closing quote. In London, the sterling continued to weaken. It cost \$2.1672 to buy one pound on Monday against \$2.18225 Friday.

The price of gold opened in Zurich at \$478.50 an ounce, \$15 down on Friday's close. In London gold closed at \$471.25, \$21 down.

Meanwhile, the West German Bundesbank continued its trading on the currency markets Monday to counter the rapid rise of the dollar, which was quoted at 2.1751 marks, compared to 2.1470 marks Friday. The bank sold 15,750,000 Monday, giving out \$20.7 million last Friday.

Following are the closing rates for the dollar against the key currencies: Sterling 2.1625/35, German mark 2.1358/1708, guilders 2.4070/90 Swiss francs 1.9805/20, Belgian francs 35.55/58, French francs 5.1225/50, yen 216.15/35 and 1079.00/1080.00.

The closing gold prices (in dollars per troy ounce):

London	471.25
Paris	512.22
Frankfurt	477.50
Zurich	472.50
Hong Kong	479.44

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TRYING TIME: British police using riot shields moving forward to clear the streets of rioting youth in Brixton, south London, Sunday. Youth throwing stones at the police could be seen in the background. The picture on the right shows police patrolling Mayall Road littered with burnt-out cars. More than 200 policemen and 43 rioters were injured in the disturbance. A number of blacks have been arrested in connection with the riots.

Cops to stay

Britain orders probe into Brixton riots

LONDON, April 13 (Agencies) — Home Secretary William Whitelaw Monday announced a major government investigation into what triggered two nights of rioting in London's black Brixton ghetto. But Whitelaw rejected black leaders' demands to pull police out of the district, saying this would ease tension.

"The police will continue to do their duty to maintain the law on the streets of London," Whitelaw declared in the House of Commons. The battle-scarred streets of Brixton were quiet Monday. But fears of a new trouble rose after radical black leaders announced a big rally in Brixton Sunday to support some 200 blacks arrested during the weekend clashes.

Whitelaw described the rioting, the worst racially related violence seen in Britain, as a "most serious disorder." He announced the government probe will be headed by appeal judge Lord Scarman.

Whitelaw praised London's police for their "great bravery and professionalism" in combating an estimated 800 blacks, with some whites, who rampaged through Brixton at the weekend. The home secretary, who was given a hostile reception by blacks when he toured Brixton's battered streets Sunday, made no reference to police allegations the rioting was provoked by political extremists from outside the decaying district.

Sunday night a 1,000 police fought to contain renewed violence in Brixton, where weekend riots left scenes of devastation unparalleled since World War II.

Scotland Yard has begun its own investigation into the cause of the rioting. London police chief Sir David McNeer has said the trouble could have been provoked by outside agitators.

Rampaging youths, mostly black but with some whites among them, Sunday night attacked shops with petrol bombs, overturned and burned cars and looted shops. Police, crouching behind plastic riot shields, faced barrages of petrol bombs, bottles and stones as they attempted to disperse the youths, more than 60 rioters were arrested and 50 injured, 26 of them police and 24 civilians.

Courts Sunday began dealing with 191 persons arrested over the weekend. Police said they were investigating whether the riots had been planned in advance with political trouble makers involved, and particularly wanted to know how dozens of petrol bombs were available to rioters soon after the clashes started.

But the authorities said the scale of violence was not so great as on Saturday night when almost 200 persons, including 165 police, were injured and 106 persons arrested.

Suggestions that the riots were started by agitators were rejected by community leaders Sunday. They said the violence was not aimed at whites and had been provoked by police harassment of blacks.

A local church vicar told reporters: "If the police would get out of here, the whole thing would fade away."

Tension in Britain's black and Asian immigrant communities has been running high since riots in a black area of Bristol, western England, a year ago. A Slogan daubed on Brixton walls Sunday said: "Bristol Yesterday, Brixton Today." A black teacher told a London radio station: "If the government continues to ignore the problems of rundown cities like Bristol, Cardiff, Liverpool, where there is acute unemployment and no social amenities, this will happen again and again."

Courtenay Laws, a black leader in Brixton, told reporters: "There can be no question of what has gone wrong. It was the culmination of issues of frustration, unemployment, homelessness, alienation and confrontation with the police."

Everything well with spaceship, say officials

HOUSTON, April 13 (Agencies) — The U.S. space ship Columbia Monday began the last half of its maiden voyage in orbit and control officials said they believed new camera information would confirm that all the craft's most vital anti-heat insulation was intact.

Astronauts John Young and Robert Crippen began a series of flight control maneuvers that included a rehearsal of Tuesday's scheduled landing in the California desert. Any damage to the belly and wing areas of the Columbia, the first re-usable space craft, from the intense heat of re-entering the earth's atmosphere could be disastrous.

But flight controllers said they were confident that the loss some time after launch of a few insulating tiles on the craft was confined to the tail area. The officials were awaiting photographs taken Monday to confirm the precise extent of how many tiles were missing. Monday morning, commander Young and pilot Crippen told ground control they had a restful night after the excitement of their launch Sunday, though they complained that the cabin was chilly.

The crew of the Columbia spent some of Monday test-firing the thruster rockets which will maneuver the shuttle out of orbit Tuesday and put the flight control system through more tests.

Mission controllers said they expected the Columbia, the first U.S. space mission in nearly six years, to complete its full 54 1/2-hour flight plan. This would bring it back to a landing — on this mission an event carrying as much risk as the launch — at California's Edwards Air Force Base Tuesday morning local time (about 1830 GMT).

Commander Young put in thousands of hours of extra landing practice as the Columbia mission suffered one delay after another over its 10-year development period. When it finally took to the air in a perfect launching Sunday, it was nearly three years behind schedule.

After leaving orbit, the Columbia will slow down as it moves through the thickening earth atmosphere, glowing red with heat as it does so. Then Commander Young begins a series of turns for an eventual diving approach toward the Edwards Air Force Base runway.

Flying without power, he will bring the craft into a controlled landing at about 320 knts an hour.

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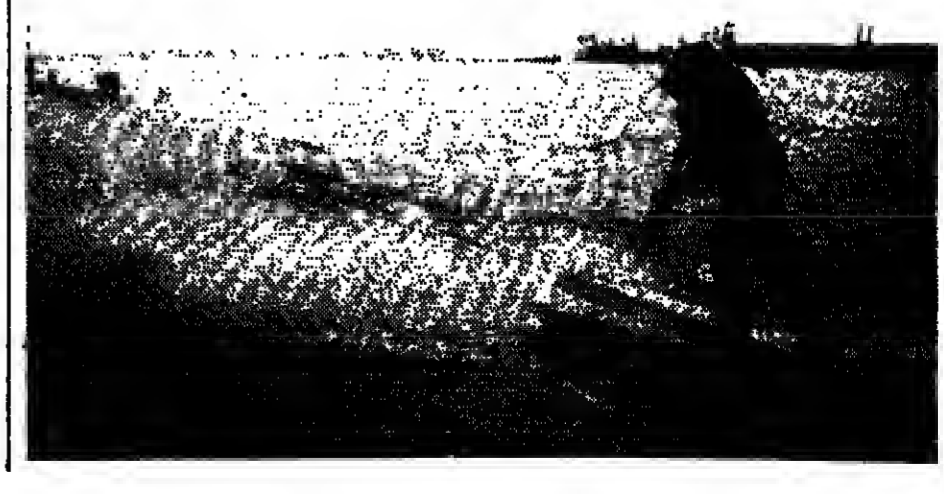
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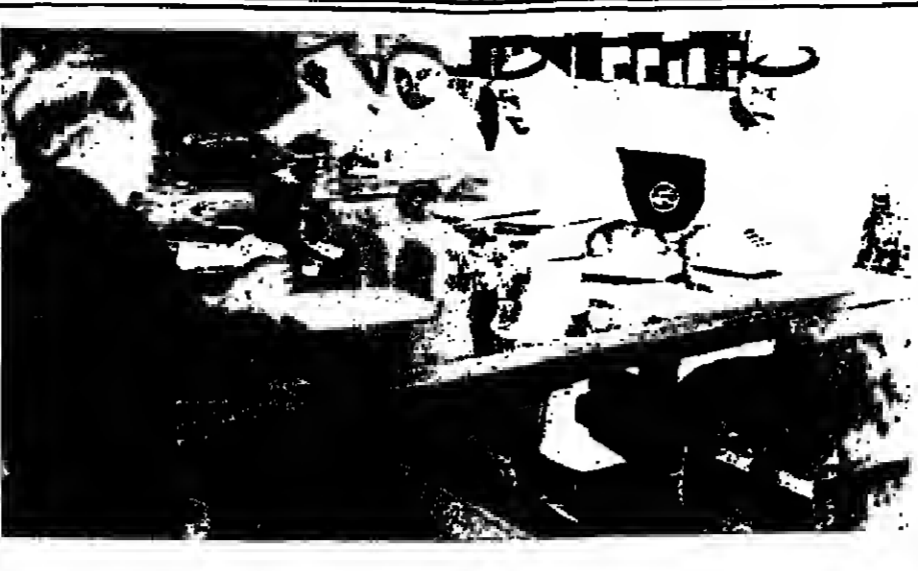


Ministry approves SR425

Riyadh Bureau
RIYADH, April 13 — The Ministry of Industry and Electricity has approved several industrial projects worth SR425 million, ministry sources said today.
 The approval was made after studies had confirmed the feasibility of these projects, the sources said.
 The projects include a project in Jazan that will produce units annually, a block and in Jof with a capacity of 120,000 a block and natural rocks which will produce 92,000 annually.
 The licenses also covered a factory in Riyadh that will produce year, a marble and granite

approves industries

whose output will reach 86,000 square meters annually; a prayer-mats and decoration carpet factory, to be built in Medina, that will produce 1.5 million square meters; a mineral water bottling plant in Jeddah which will produce 30 million liters annually; a factory in Jeddah for producing three million oil and air filters for vehicles; a car seat factory in Riyadh with a capacity of 600,000 units annually; and a factory in Jeddah that will produce airfreshers and insecticides with an annual capacity of 1850 tons.
 The licensed industries also included agricultural projects. A factory in Tabuk will produce 2,000 tons of plastic irrigation pipes and cover for green houses; factory in Riyadh will manufacture central spray irrigation units with an annual capacity of 270,000; and a factory in Hasa will produce 30 million paper egg trays per annum.



BRIEFING: The Irish Energy Minister George Kolley, who is visiting the country, holds talks with senior officials of the Saudi House for Consulting Sunday. The minister made an aerial tour of the Eastern Region over the oil installations, field pipelines and export terminals. He was accompanied by a number of Saudi Arabian officials of the Ministry of Petroleum and Minerals.

New programs planned ISBO retains Farrag

By Ahmad Shaaban
JEDDAH, April 13 — The Executive Council of the Islamic States Broadcasting Organization (ISBO), an affiliate of the 42-member Organization of the Islamic Conference, ended a three-day meeting here Monday and re-elected Secretary General Ahmad Farrag of Egypt for another four-year term.
 The meeting held at the Meridien Hotel, was chaired by Council Chairman Dr. Abdul Aziz Khojah, the deputy minister of information. Though Egypt's membership is suspended at the OIC, Farrag's mandate was renewed with massive support from Gulf countries on account of his personal merit.
 The organization scored a resounding success a few months ago with the production of an Islamic series "Beethatul Shohada'e" (Mission of the Martyrs) on the March of Islam in the Arabian Peninsula during the Holy Prophet's time starring some of the best actors in the Arab world. Other series then followed and gained a great success, particularly in Saudi Arabia, the cradle of Islam. The latest production was "Jawharatul Qasr" (jewel of the palace) about the life of Khalif Omar ibn Abdul Aziz.
 The Executive Council also approved a substantial program of radio and television programs, documentaries and series which will soon flood the Muslim world. ISBO is funded by Member States' contributions. But it also sells its production to rich Islamic countries which pay it incentive prices to enable it distribute the programs freely to less advantaged Islamic countries and organizations elsewhere in the world.
 In another development Islamic legal experts, from eight countries on the second day of their meeting in Islamabad finalized the framework for an international Islamic law commission, Sunday.
 Legal experts and jurists from Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, Iran, Mauritania, Senegal, Tunisia, Malaysia and Comoro Islands considered the draft presented by Pakistan and approved it with minor amendments. The idea for setting up an international Islamic legal commission was first mooted by Pakistani President Zia ul Haq in 1979.
 The 11th session of Islamic foreign ministers conference held in Islamabad during May last year approved the creation of the commission and adopted a resolution to this effect. The finalized draft-framework of the proposed commission will be presented to the next conference of Islamic foreign ministers.

Prince Saud visits India

NEW DELHI, April 13 — Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister Faisal arrived Monday for the second stage of his Asian tour. Prince Saud, who visited Bangladesh and will later visit Sri Lanka, said talks would be held with Indian officials on Middle East and Asian affairs and Arab relations.
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BRIEFS

PTT meeting
JEDDAH, April 13 — The Minister of PTT Dr. Alawi Darwish Kayyal met with representatives of the companies engaged in telephone projects and installations Sunday for a discussion of the ministry's projects and a review of what has been achieved so far. He also heard some of the problems that face them in carrying out their contracts.
Traffic accident
RIYADH, April 13 — Three people were killed and 18 injured in one of the worst traffic accidents to happen on this road outside the capital Sunday. It resulted from a collision between a company bus carrying 50 workers and a small saloon car which emerged from a subsidiary road. The bus capsized. Two of the injured were put on the critical list.
Old localities
RIYADH, April 13 — A consultant firm has been commissioned to prepare a study and proposals regarding some of the old parts of the capital, according to Deputy Mayor Muhammad Al Sheikh. Speaking at Al Jazira, he said after the study the municipality will decide on the possible alternatives to what may be demolished.
Forest to be planted
NAJRAN, April 13 — Nearly 10,000 trees will be planted in the Saddam forest here to enlarge the area to 12 square meters. The

idea is to offer the people of the region a green park and a recreational center. Meanwhile, the government has donated 35,000 bags of fodder to residents of Najran after the recent drought. The bags were delivered free of charge.
Jubail and Yanbu
DHAHRAN, April 13 (SPA) — Industry and Electricity Minister Dr. Ghazi Alghosabi will give a talk on Jubail and Yanbu projects to the students and guests of the University of Petroleum and Minerals next week. He will explain the aims of the massive petrochemical schemes that are being undertaken in the two areas, Jubail on the Gulf and Yanbu on the Red Sea coast separated by nearly the whole width of the Kingdom.
Canadian minister
RIYADH, April 13 (SPA) — Canada's Minister of Foreign Trade Edward Lamy visited the offices of the Saudi Arabian Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC) Sunday and saw a film about its various projects in steel, fertilizers, and petrochemicals.
Joint Gulf industries
RIYADH, April 13 — Experts from the Kingdom, Kuwait, Bahrain and Qatar are studying the possibilities of the intermediate petrochemical industries. The studies were requested by the Gulf Organization for Industrial Consultations during its meeting in Qatar last month. The organization was set up to coordinate industrial development and eliminate wasteful competition.

COMMENT

By Saleh Muhammad Jamal Al Nadwa
 It was a good step on the part of airport authorities not to build a pilgrims' town at the new King Abdul Aziz airport in Jeddah. The decision might have been taken to keep the splendid airport free from over congestion.
 In this connection, I would like to suggest that, as soon as the pilgrims land, they should be taken to the pilgrims' lounge for a rest. After the immigration formalities are completed, the pilgrims should be transported to the existing pilgrims' terminal at the old airport. Customs and other formalities can be completed at the pilgrims' terminal itself. This measure would largely facilitate work at the new airport and would at the same time, ease the pilgrims' travel from Jeddah to Makkah or Medina.
 If this suggestion is acted upon, it would provide ease and comfort to both pilgrims and officials concerned.
 I fail to understand why the buildings of the airport should be pulled down and its land distributed? I think it can be maintained and used for domestic flights. The national carrier, Saudia, is expanding quickly. If the old airport is earmarked for domestic services and the new airport for international flights, it would create more punctuality in both domestic and international services.
 This is just an idea being suggested to the Ministry of Defense and Aviation, in the hope that it will be found worthy of consideration.
 The same writer said it is wrong on the part of S.A.P.T.C.O. to demand to see the originals of birth certificates when plying between Makkah and Jeddah. He said the loss of the original can be exceedingly troublesome and that photocopies are perfectly alright. Besides, the Interior Minister has already said that any kind of identification would be adequate, so why insist on originals.

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Large postal complex readied for E. Region

DAMMAM, April 13 (SPA) — A postal complex worth over SR215 million is being implemented here by an international company, Eastern Province's Director of Post Abdul Karim Al-Duwaihi said Monday.

In addition to various administrative sections and central post office, the complex will comprise postal institute, training center,

storehouses, post boxes, mosque and cafeteria for the employees. It is expected to be completed sometime next year, he said.

Besides, work is in progress to open four new post offices in Dammam and to equip various postal centers in the province with modern postal instruments and machinery, he added.

Duwaihi said the existing post offices have been expanded and several others have been opened in new localities. At least 22 post offices have been repaired in Hassa, Dhahran Airport, Al-Khobar, Thaqba, Qatif, Mabraz, Darain, Tarout, Jubail and Abqaiq at an overall cost of over SR4 million, he added.

Meanwhile, it has been decided to install automatic equipment for stamping the mail with a view to increasing the output and saving time, he said, adding that a number of other machinery has been introduced to provide a better and quick service to the people. He said the new facilities include letter-boxes on the main streets and telex machines at the post directorate.

Duwaihi said the directorate general has decided to give a monthly remuneration of up to 50 per cent of the salaries of mail sorters and distributors to encourage them to increase the output. They would also be trained on other postal jobs at the postal institute in Dammam, he added.

On the other hand, a sum of SR879,000 has been allocated in the current year's budget for the maintenance of postal departments in the province, Duwaihi said.

Abdullah meets U.S. lawmakers

JEDDAH, April 13 (SPA) — Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah held a meeting with a delegation of nine U.S. Senators led by Republican Majority Leader, Howard Baker. They exchanged viewpoints on bilateral relations.

Prince Abdullah also received Jim McClore, member of the energy commission, the appropriations and resources committee, the joint economic committee and the ways and means committee. Members of the delegation accompanying McClore attended the meeting during which views on bilateral relations were exchanged.

Council resumes talks

JEDDAH, April 13 (SPA) — The Saudi Arabian Yemeni Coordination Council resumed meeting here Monday to discuss ways of promoting cooperation in various spheres. The Saudi Arabian team is led by Defense Minister Prince Sultan while the Yemeni one is led by Foreign Minister Ali Lutfi Al Thawri. A final communique is expected to be announced Wednesday.



DEDICATION: King Khalid shows at the King Abdul Aziz University Monday where he dedicated a number of projects. To his right is the Minister for Higher Education Sheikh Hassan Al Sheikh and to his left is the Rector, Dr. Omar Nassif.

Denktash opens imam training

JEDDAH, April 13 (SPA) — Rauf Denktash, President of the Federated State of Turkish Kibris will inaugurate Tuesday in Lefkosa a one-month training program for Islamic Imams and educators, organized by the World Muslim League (WML).

Ali Muhammad Mokhtar, assistant secretary general of the WML said Monday about 150 students would take part in the program.

He said another training program for Islamic Imams will be held in the second week of August in Lagos, Nigeria and that it will be organized by the General Secretariat of the World Higher Council for Mosques.

He said the Lagos program was aimed at training and recruiting Islamic educators to

activate the propagation of Islam in African countries. Mokhtar recently visited Nigeria and met Nigerian officials to discuss the preparation for the program. He also attended the opening of Nawr-Eddin mosque in Lagos.

IDB approves loans

JEDDAH, April 13 (SPA) — The Islamic Development Bank approved loan requests to Malaysia and Guinea at its meeting here Monday. Malaysia will get \$10.4 million to help build the deep water port of Penlolo.

The bank will finance Guinean purchase of refined oil from a member state of the bank. It will be the seventh commercial transaction financed by the bank in favor of the country.

Accord reached with Finns

JEDDAH, April 13 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia and Finland Monday agreed to increase cooperation "in all fields including the exploration of minerals."

The Saudi Arabian team was led by Sheikh Mamoun Qabbani, chief of the Western section of the foreign ministry, while the Finnish side was led by Paavo Ranpanen, deputy minister of foreign affairs, who came here to attend the meetings of the Saudi Arabian-Finnish Joint Committee to discuss ways of promoting cooperation and trade.

The Finns offered assistance in weights and measures, drainage schemes, water purification, agriculture and fishing; geology and

mineral exploration in addition to training Saudi Arabian personnel and the transfer of technology.

Saudi Arabia accepted these offers which were made in an atmosphere of goodwill and understanding. The next meeting will be held in Helsinki next year, the two sides decided.

Sheikh Qabbani said they reached "some important and useful results specially in the economic fields," thanks to the good and firm relations between the two countries. He bailed the existing cooperation between the two countries and welcomed Finnish expertise and participation in the development programs of the country.

Singapore team to visit Jeddah

JEDDAH, April 13 — A seven-member trade delegation from Singapore will arrive here Friday for a one week visit. Jeddah is their first stopover on a Gulf tour.

Members of the delegation will explore business opportunities for universal car joints and automotive parts, can-making machines and accessories, insulated cable, steel bars

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Saudi Arabia is Singapore's largest market in the Middle East. Not taking into account third country products, US\$ 140 million of Singapore-made products were exported to the Kingdom in 1979, including edible oil, various building materials, textiles, plastic products, jewelry and electronic products such as TV and radio sets.

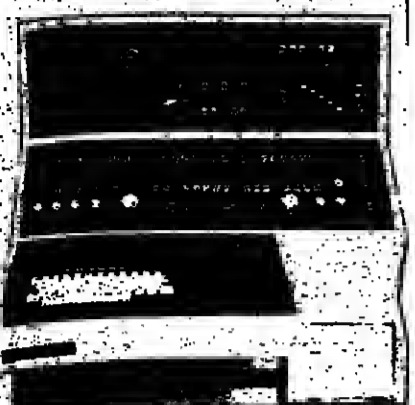
Chatti to visit Algeria Thursday

By Ayman Zahid

JEDDAH, April 13 — The Secretary General of the Organization of Islamic Conference Habib Chatti will go to Algeria Thursday to take part in a non-aligned meeting to discuss the problem of Namibia in southern Africa. He was invited by the Algerian Foreign Minister Muhammad bin Yahya.

He had attended the non-aligned conference in New Delhi as an observer last February.

The OIC states comprise nearly half the number of the non-aligned group while 19 of them belong to the Organization of African Unity. OIC sources said they were very concerned about the situation in Namibia and continued South African provocations in that part of the world.



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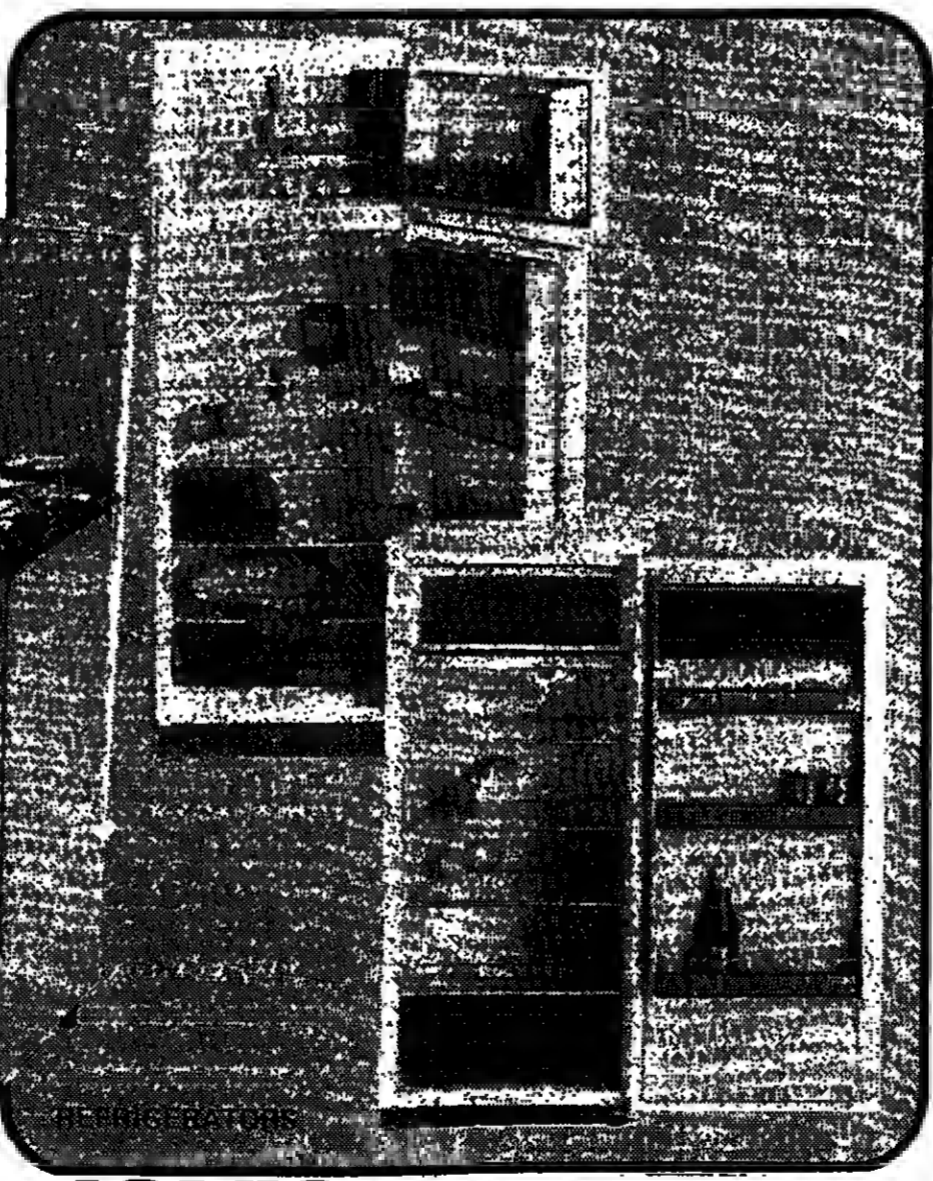
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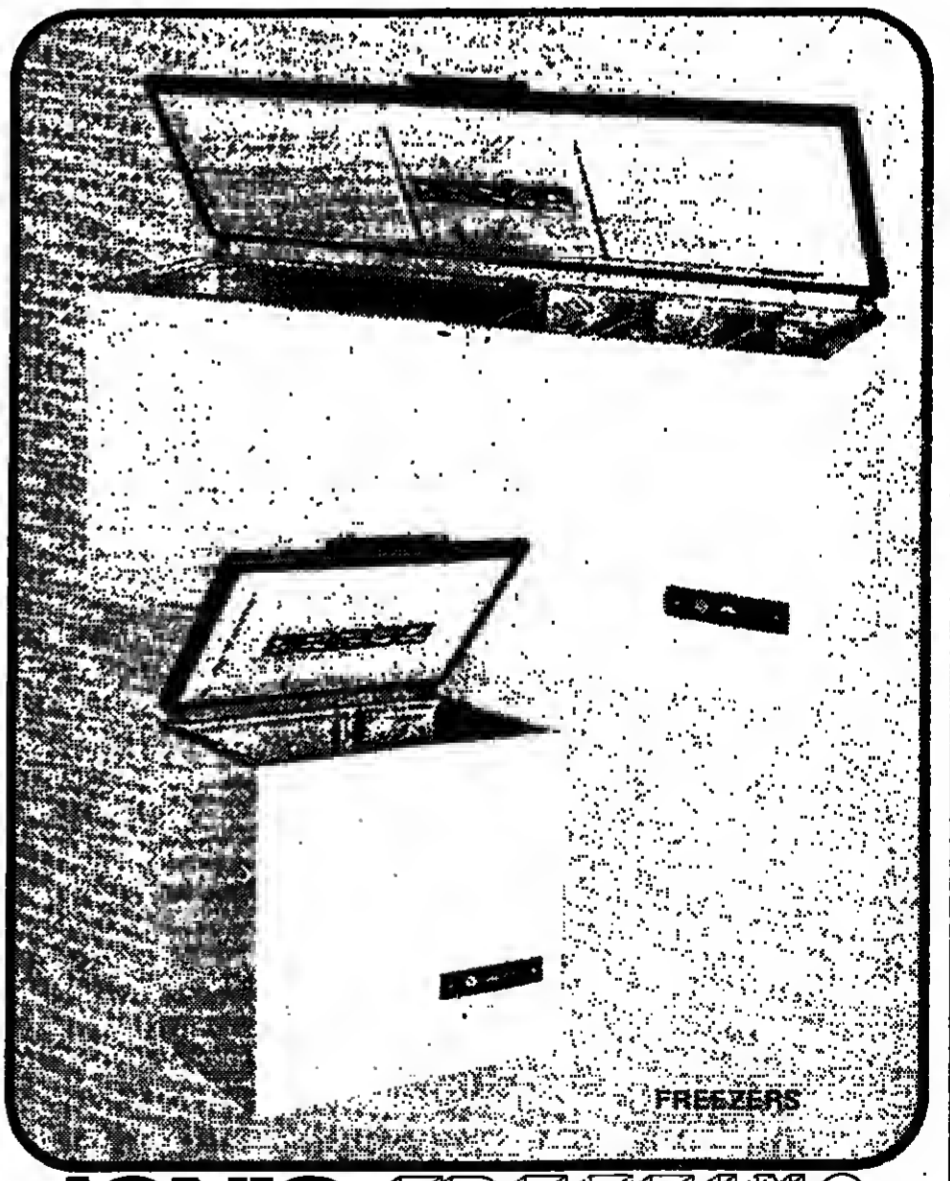
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French peace efforts on Lebanon hit snags

TEL AVIV, April 13 (AFP) — French proposals to beef up the United Nations peacekeeping in Lebanon to end the hostilities there were running into difficulties, Deputy U.N. Secretary-General Brian Urquhart said on Israeli radio Monday.

First the plan needed the agreement and invitation of the Lebanese authorities, then a new Security Council resolution, and an agreement on financing, Urquhart said. The idea of pushing the U.N.'s responsibility further north was "not new", Urquhart commented. It was revived from time to time after flare-ups in Lebanon, he said.

The U.N. Interim Forces in Lebanon (UNIFIL) are currently restricted to the south of the country. They were ordered in there in March 1978 after an Israeli invasion "as an interim measure until the government

Kuwait to expel illegal residents

KUWAIT, April 13 (AFP) — Kuwaiti forces have launched a major operation to weed out and expel all illegal residents, including Arabs from Kuwait.

Head of Security Col. Mubammad Kabandi told a local newspaper Monday that the operation followed an alarming increase in crime in the state. He added that Kuwait was currently working out a cooperation plan with Saudi Arabia to improve security in both countries.

Col. Kabandi denied that the Palestine Liberation Organization was involved in any violence in Kuwait, describing relations with the local PLO office as cooperative.

Talks satisfactory

Nonaligned panel may return to Gulf

NEW DELHI, April 13 (R) — A nonaligned peace mission returned here from Iran and Iraq saying it might go back to the countries again. Indian External Affairs Minister P.V.N. Rao, a member of the four-man group, told reporters at Delhi airport Sunday the trip was very satisfying.

Cuban Foreign Minister Isidoro Malmerca Peoli, also in the team, said they would assess the trip before deciding the next move.

Lebanon assures full responsibility in southern Lebanon." Urquhart arrived here Sunday from South Lebanon where he inspected UNIFIL units. Later Monday he will meet Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin and Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir for talks on the Lebanon situation.

Begin said Sunday night Israel would not interfere in the possible deployment of extra U.N. troops with its northern neighbor.

After an initially favorable reaction to the French proposals, Israel now appears to be wavering.

In Paris, Foreign Minister Jean Francois-Poncet said Monday France is to launch diplomatic moves at the United Nations to press for a special representative of Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim to be sent to Lebanon to examine the fighting there.

"France plans to take initiatives to contribute toward peace," Francois-Poncet said after a session with President Valery Giscard d'Estaing to report on Sunday's meeting of seven French ambassadors on the Lebanese question. French initiatives would be based on "the return of peace, reconciliation and unity, that can only be achieved around the legitimate Lebanese authorities, which are the president, the government and the army," Francois-Poncet said.

France is now believed to favor installing the Lebanese army between the warring factions, rather than an earlier proposal to beef up the U.N. forces in Lebanon, observers noted. Francois-Poncet said he would be in contact with "friendly countries in the region" and European Economic Community partners "who share our concern and support our moves."

"It might be necessary for the mission to travel again to Baghdad and Tehran," Rao said, but gave no dates.

Pars, the official Iranian news agency, said that at Abadan, the nonaligned ministers were caught in a long-range Iraqi artillery barrage that killed one civilian, wounded 17 and destroyed several homes. The ministers toured the devastated area and talked to townspeople for about an hour, the report said.



TERRORIST KILLED: Selcuk Kucukdiftci, sought by the Turkish government for terrorist activity, was shot and killed last week by sharpshooters when he refused to surrender after a task force spotted him in a hideout. Kucukdiftci, 22, was a known "Dev Sol" (revolutionary left) leftist terror band leader and was behind the slaying of Mahmut Dikler, a deputy security chief Feb. 6.

Liberalization step

Tunisia elects 80-man panel

TUNIS, April 13 (AFP) — A special congress of the ruling Destour Socialist Party has elected a new 80-member central committee, in what was seen here as a vote of confidence in Premier Muhammad Mzali's program of liberalization.

That program of reform, an attempt to break away from the party's past authoritarian and monolithic image, includes moves to make the party more democratic, while giving rival political parties the chance to exist for the first time. The new central committee, from which President Habib Bourguiba will choose a politburo, the party's highest decision-making body, includes the

member of the government Mzali formed a year ago as well as most members of the former politburo.

Mzali, who is also party general secretary, headed the poll with a maximum 1,027 votes at the congress.

The liberalization program, a bid to regain lost credibility, particularly with the young, is seen here as the result of a decision by party veterans to remain in the forefront by adapting to the requirements of modern-day Tunisia.

This change of direction could, in time, transform the political and social climate in Tunisia.

BRIEFS

ATHENS, (AP) — A medium intensity earth tremor jolted southern Greece Monday, but caused no injuries or damage, the Athens Seismological Institute said.

CAIRO, April 13 (AFP) — President Anwar Sadat stressed the close links between Egypt and Sudan Sunday when he received letters of accreditation from Abdul Rahman Salman, Sudan's new ambassador here.

KUWAIT, April 13 (R) — Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah and United Arab Emirates (UAE)

Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Rashid Abdullah Al-Nuaimi will discuss relations between South Yemen and the newly-formed Gulf Cooperation Council, in Aden Monday, Kuwait Minister of State for Cabinet Affairs Abdul Aziz Hussein told reporters.

BEIRUT, (R) — Trade ministers of Jordan and Iraq signed a program in Baghdad Sunday aimed at developing their countries' economic and commercial relations, the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported.

Afghan defector tricked officers in escape bid

ISLAMABAD, April 13 (AP) — An Afghan army defector told Pakistani officials that he crossed the border after tricking superior officers and throwing a colleague from his Soviet-built T-54 tank government spokesman has said. Muhammad Nazir, a 20-year-old non-commissioned officer, said after his arrival Saturday in Chaman, southwest Pakistan, that he requested permission to run the vehicle in order to locate a mechanical problem.

"After two turns, he made a dash for the Pakistani border," about 10 kilometers away, the spokesman quoted him as saying. "An

Afghan corporal with him in the tank tried to stop Nazir by grabbing his hair, but Nazir hit back and threw the man from the tank..."

Nazir, in a televised interview Sunday night, said he defected because he could no longer bear to see his country occupied by foreign troops. "The regime in Kabul is powerless," he told Pakistan television. "All power is in the hands of the Soviets who are committing atrocities against the people of Afghanistan." He told officials in Chaman, the Pakistan border post, there were more than 120,000 Soviet troops in the country.

Torture in Iran jails denied

TEHRAN, April 13 (R) — Torture does not exist in Iranian prisons, and if it did, it ended more than six months ago, a member of an investigating commission has told the Majlis (Parliament).

"What is going on in Iranian jails is to the credit of the Islamic Republic," said Majlis Deputy Ali Muhammad Besharati Jahromi, quoted in the evening newspaper *Kayhan*. He said the commission, set up by order of Ayatollah Khomeini last December, had studied 3,620 files and had visited a variety of military and civilian prisons.

"We talked with the prisoners for eight to

11 hours a day, but the one issue that did not arise was torture. The biggest complaint is that their fate is not clear, and that was why one person held for selling banned newspapers thought he was being tortured," said Besharati Jahromi, apparently referring to allegations that some prisoners are held for long periods without charge or trial.

Khomeini ordered the setting up of the commission after President Abolbassan Bani-Sadr alleged last November that torture, a highly-charged issue after the brutalities of the Shah's regime, was again being practised in Iran.

Russia, Ethiopia hold military talks

ADDIS ABABA, April 13 (AFP) — A Soviet army general A. Epishiev left Sunday at the end of a week-long visit to Ethiopia during which he conferred with Head of State Mengistu Haile Mariam and Defense Minister Tesfaye Gae' Kidan.

Gen. Epishiev, who is responsible for most of the political administration of the Soviet army and navy, also visited Ethiopian milit-

ary facilities in the Ogaden and the country's major air force base at Debre Zeit.

The Soviet Union is Ethiopia's weapons supplier. It also furnishes military advisers and technicians to Ethiopia.

The substance of the general's talks with Ethiopia's leaders was not revealed but they are understood to have touched on the broad range of military cooperation.

Mauritanian premier visits Libya

TRIPOLI, April 13 (AP) — Mauritanian Prime Minister Sid Ahmad Ould Benjara arrived here for an official visit of several days, the Libyan news agency Jana reported.

Libya recently expressed support for the Mauritanian government after dissident military officers — reportedly with Moroccan help — tried to stage a coup in the west African country. Libya said at the time that it would send troops to Mauritania to defend it

against outside attack.

The Mauritanian leader was accompanied by ministers of foreign affairs, finance, economy and transportation.

Meanwhile, the Libyan Foreign Minister Maj. Abdul Salam Jalloud has arrived in Rome. Observers believed his arrival was linked with the possibility of a visit by Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi, who has been planning to visit Italy for some time.

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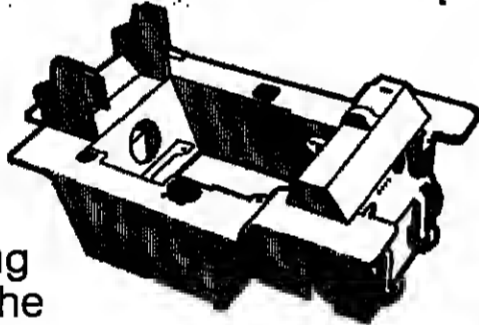
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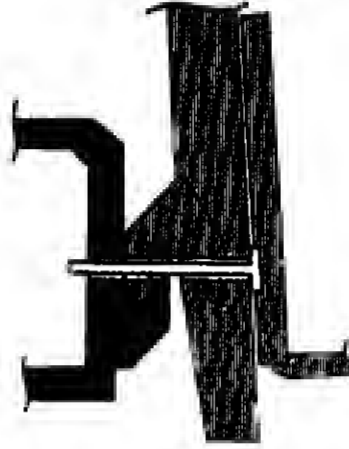
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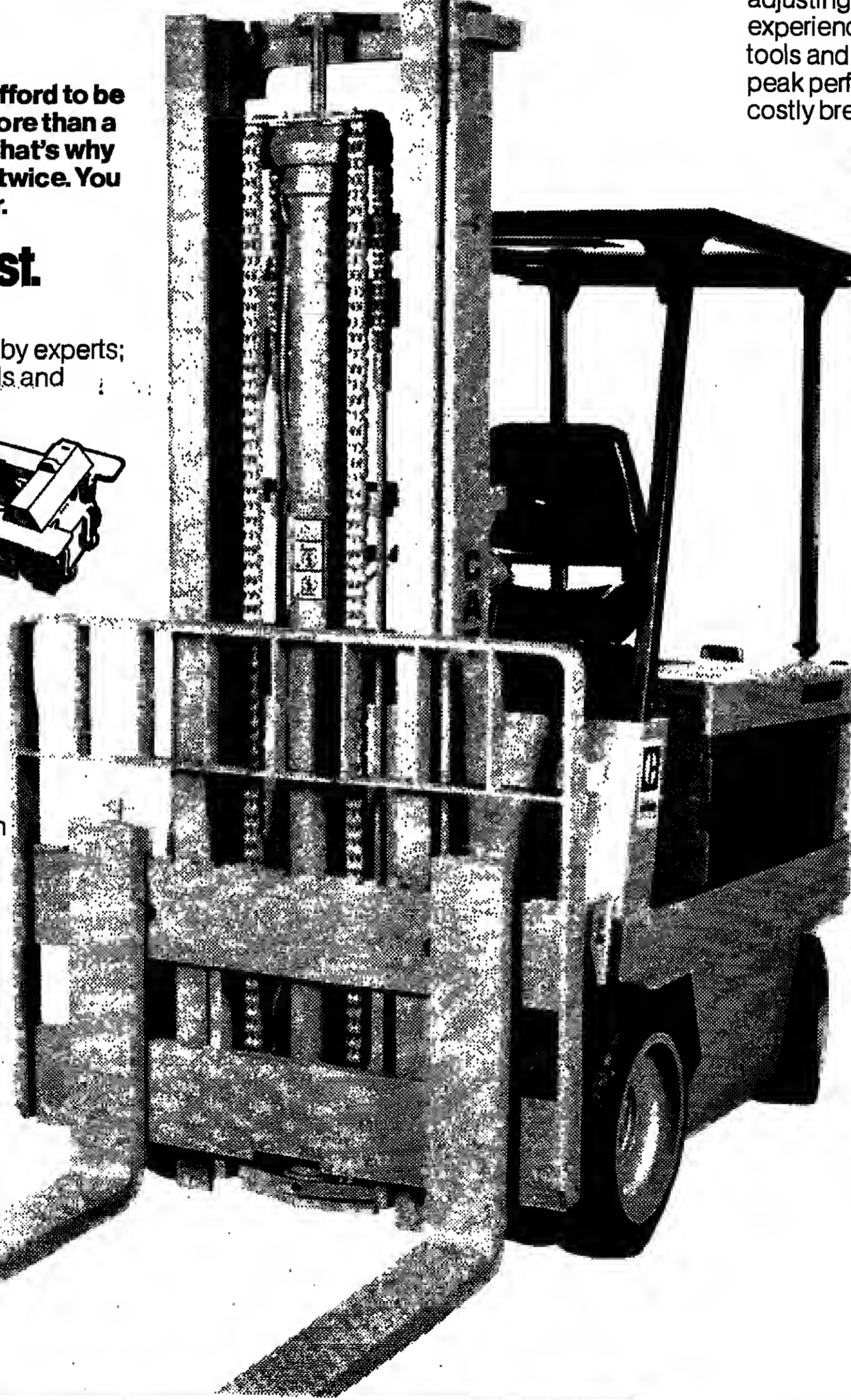
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Arab visual talents spring back to life

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By Helen Khal

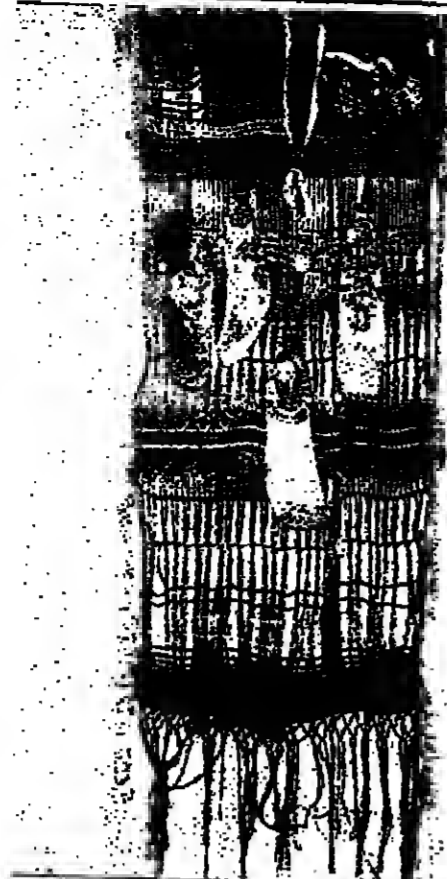
WASHINGTON — It was undoubtedly the narrow view that prompted no less an authority than Robert Hughes, art critic at large, to end his otherwise splendid review of Arab Islamic art exhibition in 1975 with these words: "At a time when the visual talents of the Arab world appear to have sunk to mass ashtrays, souvenir hookahs and oil-rich astro-Convertible kitsch, it is a joy to see that went before."

That Arab creativity, lay dormant for some centuries after the golden age of Islam, had not its genesis is true. To presume that it is and today can only be regarded as an unexamined and incorrect observation. Notwithstanding the steady production of "brass ashtrays," Arab visual talents are again in this century very much alive. In country after country, across that wide swath of the Arab world that stretches from Morocco to Iraq, painters and sculptors are producing with fresh energy, a contemporary art of high aesthetic merit. Despite the easy availability of visual and media communication in our modern world, cultural exchange between East and West (or, more specifically, between "developed" and "developing" countries), has remained very much a one-way street. An unfortunate result is that contemporary art in the Arab world continues to suffer an undeserved anonymity.

The development of contemporary art in the Arab world began less than a hundred years ago and emerged as one of the fringe phenomena of the growing foreign interests in a area. It should be remembered that this has no roots in Arab cultural heritage, that originated in Europe and out of the Renaissance tradition whose concept of art and its of expression were significantly different. For the Arab world, and for most other regions of the world which remained for long centuries in a similar cultural isolation, it is an imported art form.

Imported from Europe, the art of painting and sculpture did not effectively penetrate its borders until the late 19th century, along with the advent of modern international communications and societal mobility. Until then, the Arab aesthetic experience had remained rooted in Islamic, fed and determined by a civilization in which art functioned as an integral and intimate expression of the society and which, in turn, through its undant genius and at its height, produced the most of mankind's most impressive cultural achievements.

As recently, as 50 years ago, there were hardly any more than a few dozen painters and sculptors scattered through the entire Arab region. The easel art of Europe was unknown, except in the palaces of the aristocracy or in the icons that adorned the scattered churches and monasteries of the area. After World War I and the subsequent sweep of foreign mandate control over many Arab territories, there occurred an accompanying invasion of foreign educational and cultural centers. In British, French, Italian and American mission schools, young Arab students were introduced to a new kind of "picnicking"; they were taught to draw from nature, to produce portraits and landscapes,



Nabila Al Bassam (Saudi Arabia)

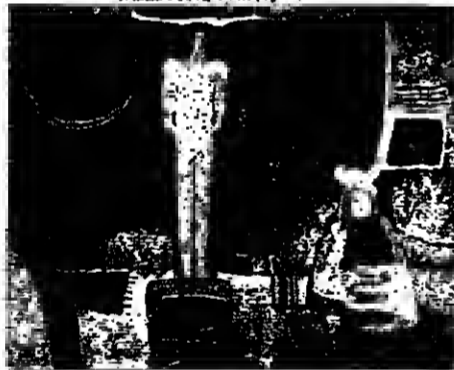
and the conversion to modern art began.

Seeking to follow the path of Renaissance genius, the first Arab artists went off to Europe to study. There, they were instead confronted with the revolutionary forces of impressionism, cubism, and abstraction. In 1910, when Picasso and Braque had already chopped up the figure into an almost unrecognizable jumble of planes and cubes, the Arab artist was still an infant, still at the very edge of the matter. Young and curious, these eager pioneers wasted little time with a dying classicism and moved quickly into the more lively, though still comprehensible, adventure of impressionism. And they came back to their capitals — to Baghdad, Beirut, Cairo, Damascus, Rabat — with spirits full of this new concept of art for art's sake.

It took two more generations, however, before the Arab artist could try to speak on his own. He had to pass through the necessary age of imitation before he could begin to assert his own creative needs through these new, adopted art forms. Not until after World



Mohamed Mousarbeh (Syria)



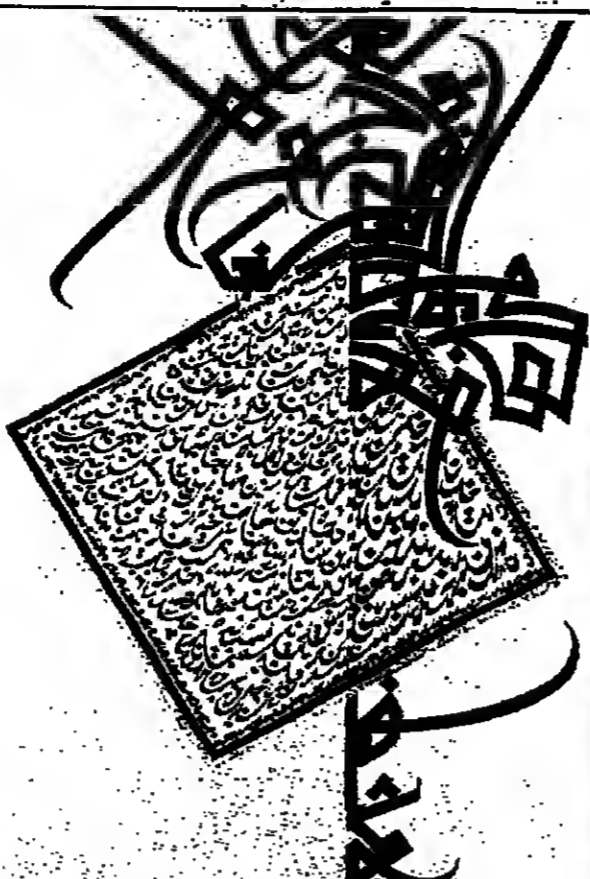
War II did the Arab artist acquire sufficient experience to lead him into a personal contemporary interpretation of his own socio-cultural roots.

Today, the artists, male and female, are many, and each country has its own art academies, its own museums, its own galleries. Children are introduced to art at an early age, and government institutes of art provide high level training, tuition-free. Modern art works are found in public squares, in homes, in business institutions, and in government buildings.

Many artists, supported by government grants, continue their training abroad in the art capitals of the world most return home to take up their vocation as professional artists, and some also become teachers to another generation of artists. Others remain abroad, in Europe, England and the U.S., determined to make their mark in the mainstream of international art. One such group of Iraqi artists, living and exhibiting in London during the past several years, has been moving rapidly towards that goal. The Iraqi government's encouragement and support of their efforts includes the publication of U.R., a bimonthly cultural magazine published by the Iraqi Cultural Center in London, the only one of its kind in English.

This developmental story can be applied generally to each of the countries of the Arab world. Separately they have moved at a varying pace of growth; separately, their artists express the peculiarities of form and color that convey the specific personality of form and color that convey the specific personality of their land and national temperament. On the surface, these differences exist; yet basically, the cultural area is one. Closer observation reveals the underlying links of a common tradition, the deep imprint of similar social, cultural, religious and ethnic influences that provide the identifying structure of one people's art. Like a Persian carpet, the design may be an intricate composite of mosaic parts, but the whole remains one piece. (A parallel experience has developed on the wide continent of America, where although there is basic commonality, the art of California and New York shows distinct differences in creative motivation and style.)

It would be difficult to define a specific stylistic trend in current Arab art, difficult to fit it into a national or ethnic label. The manner of art in this century has gone beyond the isolation of cultural or national borders; it has assumed an international form, with one language, one concept and one function. The



Neja Mahdaoui (Tunisia)

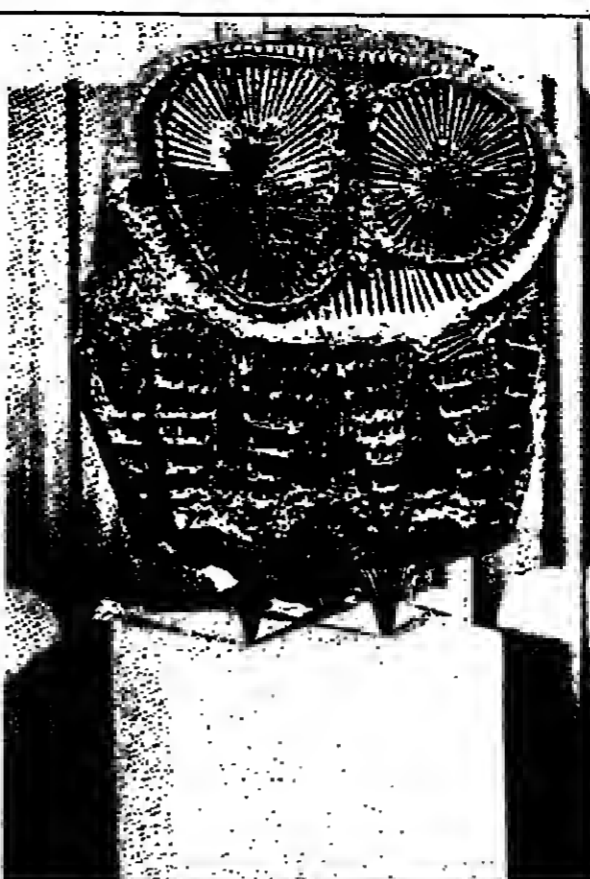
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This developmental story can be applied generally to each of the countries of the Arab world. Separately they have moved at a varying pace of growth; separately, their artists express the peculiarities of form and color that convey the specific personality of form and color that convey the specific personality of their land and national temperament. On the surface, these differences exist; yet basically, the cultural area is one. Closer observation reveals the underlying links of a common tradition, the deep imprint of similar social, cultural, religious and ethnic influences that provide the identifying structure of one people's art. Like a Persian carpet, the design may be an intricate composite of mosaic parts, but the whole remains one piece. (A parallel experience has developed on the wide continent of America, where although there is basic commonality, the art of California and New York shows distinct differences in creative motivation and style.)

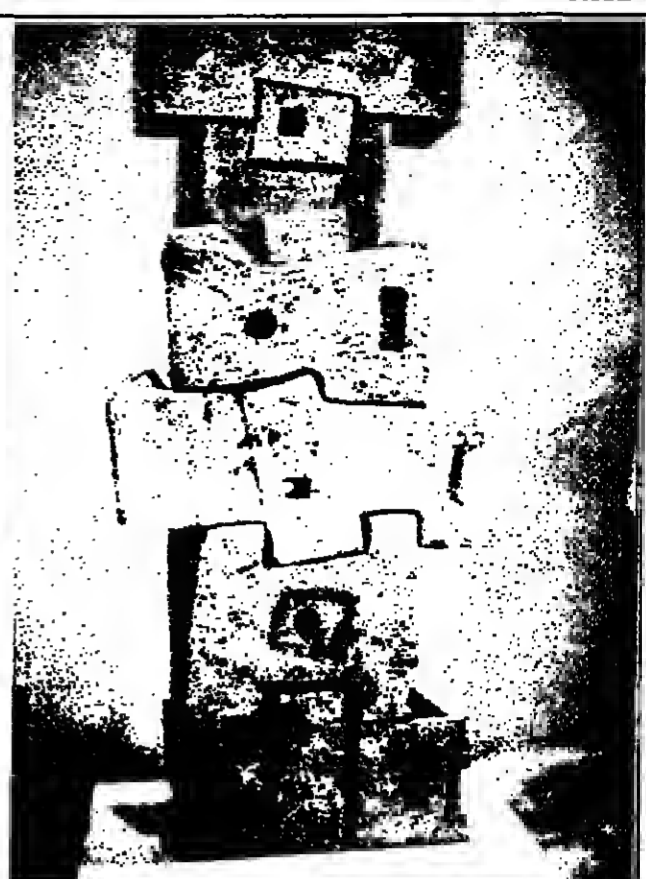
It would be difficult to define a specific stylistic trend in current Arab art, difficult to fit it into a national or ethnic label. The manner of art in this century has gone beyond the isolation of cultural or national borders; it has assumed an international form, with one language, one concept and one function. The



Salah Abdul Karim (Egypt)

Arab artist, like artists all over the world, is a member of this international community of art. He expresses himself in the current idioms of a universal visual language, using the same materials, employing the same wide gamut of styles, and seeking to convey his creative intention with the same intensity of vision as artists anywhere else. Well aware that art does not grow in a vacuum and that its heritage now is a universal legacy, Arab painters and sculptors develop, as all artists do today, from the historical basis of modern art — figurative, abstract, impressionist, expressionist, surreal, minimal, pop, op, kinetic, etc. Out of these germinating seeds, they are forming their own unique contemporary expressions.

Readily apparent and definable in Arab art today is the reawakened creative spirit that is generating its energy, the singular human experience that is molding the forms and modulating the colors. One can discern a common, motivation feeding the vitality of



Saloua Raouda Chouair (Lebanon)

this art. It is, in a word, the polarity of existence between man and machine, between the humanness of being and the soulless automatism of a technological age. The dichotomy of this condition is being profoundly experienced in the Arab world, and it is in turn the existential challenge most often expressed in its art.

Whether portrayed figuratively or in the abstract, the complexities of the human condition is a recurring theme. Compositionally, the work often expresses the contained energy and introspection of the eastern meditative spirit. Inherent in much of the imagery and symbols is a deep attachment to the earth and to man's roots in that earth. The lines, colors and textures convey not only the physical temperament of a particular land, but also relate the emotive experiences of joy or tragedy, of fear or dignity, that mark all lives.

Arab artists do not find their inspiration in soup cans, steel buildings or concrete

sidewalks; nor do they paint romantic desert landscapes. The essence of their vision lies rather in asserting the identity of their human heritage, persistently enduring with all its God-given attributes.

To some sophisticated eyes much of contemporary Arab art may appear *deja vu* — they look for something different, more typically Arab. To this, one could reply that in this age of rapid transition, of turmoil and confusion, when certain essential values have been obscured, the Arab artist with fresh energy stubbornly clings to old beliefs. His art strives for order, for that classical sense of beauty which proclaims the enduring humanity of man; his art reflects that Platonic vision of "absolute harmony as the sole remedy for the soul's bitterest pains." In this day of cynicism and despair, of man becoming machine, this message from the East, perhaps not new is still a hopeful one. — Courtesy of Arab Perspectives.

J.S. enacts N- weapon accident

By Ronald Clarke
LOS ANGELES, (R) — A private plane carrying a United States Army helicopter carrying four bombs collide in mid-air, releasing a California town. Panic-stricken inhabitants demand to know what is happening. Local policemen over-react and get in way of defense officials trying to bring the action under control.

ment offices in Washington will be called on to take action along with California's office of emergency services in the week-long exercise.

Those taking part will have to stop the panic, move the injured to hospitals and evacuate the other inhabitants, clear the area of nuclear contamination, "clean" the inhabitants and also animals of radioactivity and try to ensure no nuclear secrets are lost.

A team of umpires, who will watch the exercise will decide how well those taking part perform and whether changes are needed in the methods used to deal with the situation.

Defense officials said the exercise will deal only with an escape of radioactivity because a

Town jumps country

By Edwin Q. White

SOKCHO, South Korea, (AP) — This east coast town used to be in North Korea. Now it is in the south, one of the results of war and talk, and more war and more talk, on this divided peninsula.

When World War II ended in 1945, Korea was divided at the 38th Parallel and Sokcho was 16 kms north of that line. The split was described as temporary, with the Soviet Union in control in the north and the United States in the south to handle demobilization of Japanese forces.

Temporary turned permanent when talks aimed at reuniting the country proved futile. In 1950, North Korea sought to unify the peninsula by force, launching a drive south that led to three years of war. When a military armistice finally ended the fighting, a demilitarized zone was established across the 200 km waist of Korea. It followed roughly the 38th Parallel, but with adjustments under which each side gave some ground and gained some.

This time, Sokcho wound up south of the 4 km wide buffer zone. Now a pleasant city of about 70,000 people, Sokcho is noted for its resort atmosphere and its seafood — often eaten raw and so fresh it is still moving.

Its wide, sandy beaches, are crowded with vacationers during the summer season. Not

nuclear explosion caused by a mid-air collision is believed to be a virtual impossibility.

Nuclear warheads carried by U.S. planes can be exploded only by a series of signals from command centers under the direct control of the president, they said. But high explosive charges inside bombs can act as triggers and can disperse the contents of the bombs.

The exercise will recall memories of an incident near Palomares, Spain, in 1966 when a U.S. B-52 bomber crashed and dropped three nuclear bombs on Spanish soil and one into the sea.

Plutonium contaminated farmland after conventional explosives detonated inside the bombs and the United States spent \$50 million cleaning up the area.

far inland is Mt. Sorak National Park, where luxury hotels and smaller, chalet-type lodging dot the mountainsides and valleys.

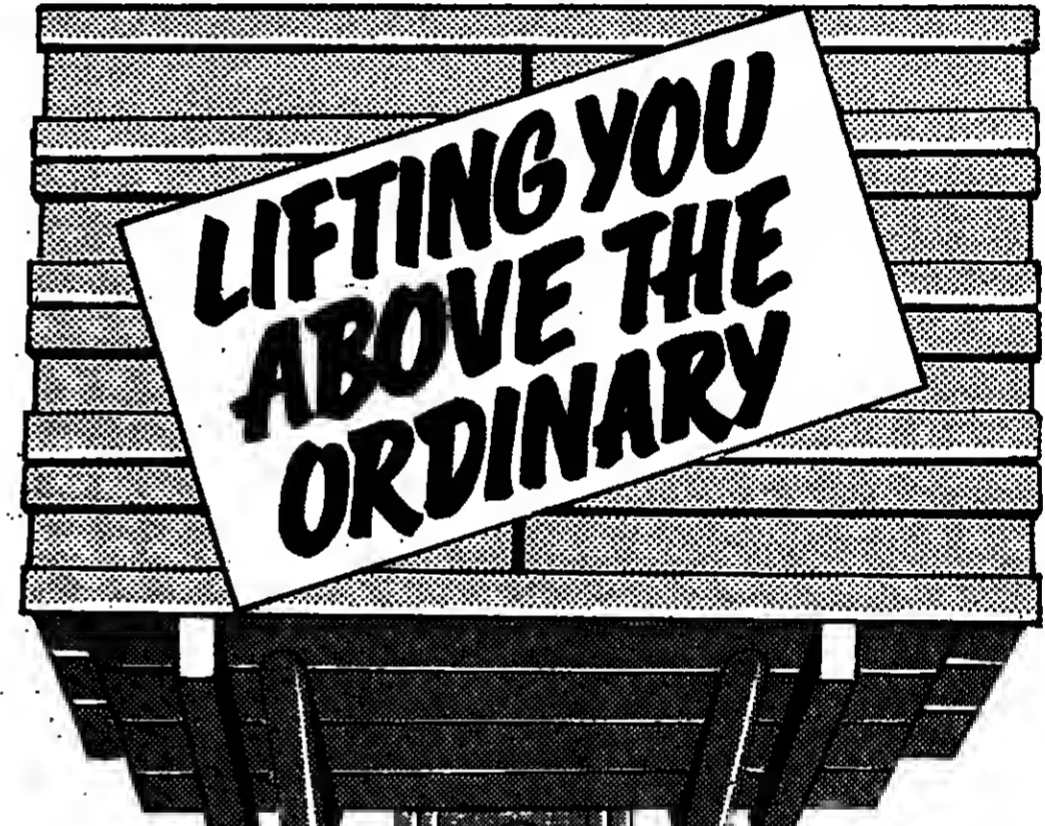
A drive of little more than 160 km to Sokcho from Seoul crosses areas of some of the Korean war's bloodiest fighting. But the scars are covered: Forests replanted, villages, towns and cities rebuilt. There are new highways, bridges, dams and reservoirs.

The 1953 armistice — not a peace treaty — is a tense and sometimes shaky truce. Troops man checkpoints at intersections, working at projects that may benefit civilians but are also of military importance.

Sokcho, like other towns near the zone, lives in a permanent state of wariness, and there is a special meaning to the government's periodic reminders to be alert against infiltrators from the north.

"Our villages and the place where we work are the front lines and places of decisive battle," President Chin Doo-Hwan said in a weekend speech. The Communists in the north, he said, "have not changed at all their strategy to communize the Korean peninsula by violent means."

Every day at sundown, the beaches of Sokcho are closed to the public. Soldiers dragging large wooden rakes smooth the sand into neat furrows. It is not for esthetics. If there are footprints in the sand next morning it is cause for alarm.

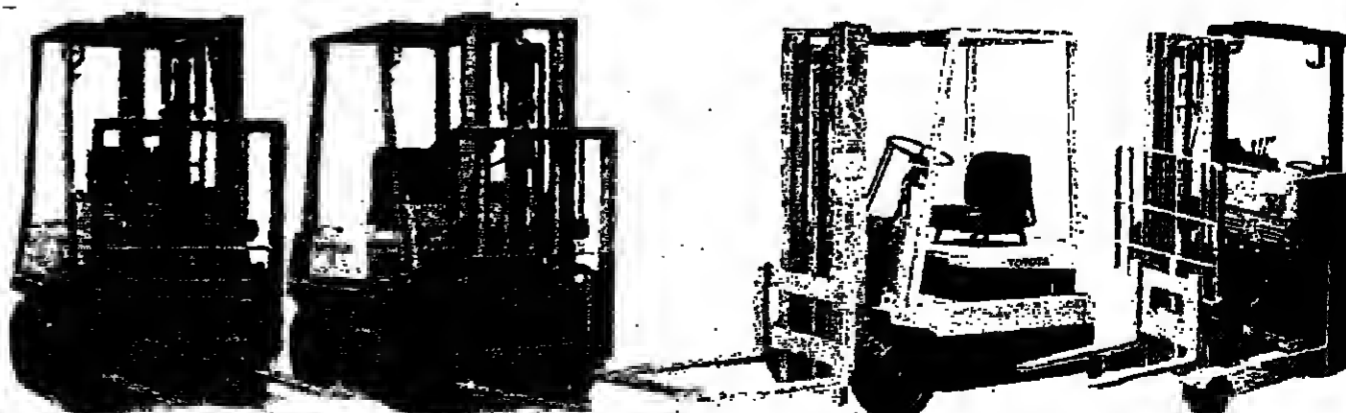


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Chinese admit unrest

PEKING, April 13 (AP) — In its frankest statement so far on social unrest, China admitted Monday that students and workers have staged strikes and demonstrations, and said criminal agitators will be punished. In a prominent article by political editor An Zhiqun, the foreign language weekly *Peking Review* said demonstrations were staged by young people who wanted to return from remote border regions, workers unhappy over wages and bonuses and students angry over official handling of elections or even poor university food.

Diplomatic sources have reported that 20-30 demonstrations and strikes took place last autumn. The Chinese press also has alluded to disturbances and criticizing "counterrevolutionaries" who disrupt public order, the Communist Party central committee recently ordered a crackdown on dissent. Last December, top Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping told a party workers conference that the army would put down demonstrations if necessary.

The magazine cited several kinds of disturbances, saying some were justified and others were not. Reasonable demands will be met if possible and unreasonable demands will be handled through persuasion, it said. In the case of illegal disturbances by "anti-socialist elements" it said, "these people will be punished according to the law."

The article said those who created disturbances "only make up a very small proportion" of China's 952 million population. It quoted the late Chairman Mao Tse-tung as saying there is nothing wrong if a few people create disturbances, and such demonstrations can help rid the nation of bureaucracy. The article emphasized that China's constitution guarantees the freedom of procession and demonstration and the freedom of strike.

Since people have opinions and demands, and since leaders make mistakes, it said, "it is natural that there are some disturbances when contradictions are not well-handled." The article said, "The Chinese government does not approve of disturbances. But who they do take place they are dealt with in earnest."

Each case is analyzed and handled on its merits, it said. Authorities will meet reasonable demands immediately when conditions permit, and try to meet reasonable but difficult demands. Explanation and persuasion will be used when demands are unreasonable, it said, and authorities will criticize and punish local leaders if they are to blame for disturbances.



PANDA PARENTS: The giant panda Fe-Pe (left) of Mexico City's Chapultepec Zoo may be a papa again. His mate Ying-Ying delivered an offspring last August. The zoo authorities said Sunday that Ying-Ying appears to be pregnant again.

U.S. policy criticized

Indian official to meet Haig

NEW DELHI, April 13 (AP) — America's Indian Ocean strategy is a 19th century "gunboat" policy that totally ignores India, "the only stable, basically strong country in the region," External Affairs Secretary Eric Gonsalves said Sunday on the eve of a mission to Washington.

"We are prepared to be pro-Western as you will permit us to be, but every time we try to make an opening, if you kick us in the teeth, it's a bit difficult," Gonsalves, who expects to meet U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig and other U.S. government officials Tuesday and Wednesday, said in a talk with American correspondents. Gonsalves said he will attempt to tell U.S. officials that Washington's strategy of placing warships, naval bases and rapid deployment forces in the region and of arming Pakistan is all wrong. It will neither stabilize the region nor, as intended, deter Soviet expansion to the Gulf, he said.

Bihar villagers blind 3 suspected criminals

NEW DELHI, April 13 (AP) — Three more suspected criminals were caught by a group of villagers and blinded with needles and acid in Bhagalpur district in India's Bihar state, the United News of India (UNI) reported Sunday. At least 33 alleged criminals were blinded in the same district last year, most of them by policemen who claimed they were fighting crime, triggering a furor in India's parliament and press.

Several police officials suspended by the state government after the blinding scandal were later reinstated after police unions threatened to go on a statewide strike. Police superintendent A.N. Roy told UNI that the three victims were accused of slaying a local boy.

Gonsalves will be accompanied by Dr. Homi Sethna, chairman of the Indian Atomic Energy Commission. Gonsalves indicated they intend to warn U.S. officials that if the United States cuts off the supply of U.S. uranium fuel for the American-built atomic reactor at Tarapur, near Bombay, it would lose its control over the spent fuel, which can be reprocessed into plutonium, the main substance of nuclear weapons.

"So long as you continue to supply fuel, then your fuel is under safeguards and cannot be used for any purpose except by joint agreement," Gonsalves said. "The moment you break the agreement, the fuel ceases to be under safeguards," he added.

Meanwhile, the top three of the five stories of the Indian Army's western command headquarters in the northern city of Simla were reported destroyed in a 12-hour blaze extinguished Sunday morning, the United News of India said.

The 80-year-old building formerly housed the general defense headquarters of the British colonial government in India, which had Simla as its summer capital. The fire destroyed the medical, signal, ordinance and supply departments, officials said. The western command is one of the five divisions of the Indian Army. The cause of the blaze was being investigated, officials said.

Liberia releases detainees

MONROVIA, April 13 (AP) — Liberia's military head of state, Samuel K. Doe has marked the first anniversary of his enlisted men's coup by announcing the creation of a commission to draft a new constitution and the release of 19 political prisoners. The constitution has been suspended since Dec. 29. Doe overthrew the government of President William Tolbert on the night of April 11-12, 1980. Tolbert was killed during the coup and 13 government officials were executed shortly afterward.

Doe named Liberia University professor Amos Sawyer to head the 25-man commission. It was Sawyer, a one-time candidate for mayor of Monrovia, Liberia's capital, who challenged the clause in the old constitution that made property ownership a condition of voter eligibility. Doe has said his coup was carried out to improve the lot of the 1.8 million Liberians who he said suffered under the rule of Tolbert, a member of the minority American-Liberian elite descended from freed American slaves who founded the country in 1822.

Two former defense ministers are among the prisoners to be released. There was no word on the fate or whereabouts of A.B. Tolbert, son of the late president, who was removed by soldiers from the French Embassy where he had sought asylum following the coup. Justice Minister Chea Cheapoo said 24 political prisoners remained in government custody.

During his anniversary speech Sunday Doe also singled out the United States for "special thanks" for what he termed "unprecedented" assistance in the 12 months since the coup. The United States has more than doubled its overall assistance to this west African nation since the coup. Total assistance for fiscal 1980 amounted to \$23.85 million. Nearly \$33 million have been appropriated for 1981. U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs Lannon Walker attended the anniversary celebrations.

Doe, who wore traditional African dress, instead of his usual army uniform to address the audience at the unity conference center, emphasized that although the constitution had been suspended, every citizen was entitled to due process of law.

Indonesia to host world conference

JAKARTA, April 13 (AP) — A total of 82 countries and international organizations will participate in an international conference on family planning programs for the 1980s to be held in Jakarta April 27-28. Indonesia's Health Minister Dr. Swardjono Suyaningrat said Monday. The conference will be followed by field trips to observe the implementation of Indonesia's family planning programs in areas of the island of Java, he said. United Nations Family Planning Association (UNFPA) and the World Population Council (WPC) are among the sponsors of the conference, Swardjono said.

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TO allies upset

.S. favors defense sharing

WASHINGTON, April 13 (Agencies) — A bipartisan congressional committee has urged America's allies to share a larger share of the joint defense budget. Congressman James Jones also called for equitable arms limitation with the Union and reassessment of the entire military structure.

As chairman of the House of Representatives Budget Committee, said Sunday these measures were needed to ease U.S. inflation pressures and budget problems. He said the United States was not honoring its commitment to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) this year. He is going to spend over six per cent more in defense next year, and most of his allies are spending less than their commitment to NATO. "We must get our share to carry a greater share of the defense budget," he said.

Meanwhile, a controversial NATO debut defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger said he has done little to help these governments in the alliance who face growing opposition to the siting of cruise missiles in their countries. Weinberger arrived at his NATO meeting last week in Bonn in an optimistic mood, and set out to win over skeptics.

In a classified presentation to fellow government ministers he produced stacks of maps and blown-up photographs showing SS-20 missiles at sites in the western USSR. The thrust of his messages was that he had used the period of détente from 1971 to invest heavily in defense equip-

ment than during the Cold War that preceded it. "If movement from Cold War to détente was progress then let me say we can't afford more progress," he was reported as saying.

Weinberger's hawkish posture seems to have served only to underline the difference of emphasis of the new Reagan Administration and some of its NATO allies. A particular gap exists over the interpretation of the original NATO decision in December 1979 to site cruise and Pershing 2 medium-range nuclear missiles in western Europe from 1983.

That decision was unequivocally explained at the time as being "two track." Parallel efforts were to be made to negotiate reduced numbers of these "theatre" nuclear weapons with the Soviet Union.

Holland and Belgium have made their acceptance of cruise missiles on their territories dependent on negotiations with the Russians, and have said they will not commit themselves definitely until the end of this year. The West German Government, beset by opposition to cruise missiles within the ruling coalition, was eager that this meeting should agree on a date for reopening the talks.

But Weinberger said the state of American preparations suggested it would "take a little while" and he was unable to offer a firm date. A second disappointment for the Europeans was Weinberger's hostility to the SALT II agreement, which all the European NATO members have said they would like to see ratified. Weinberger said that both he and Alexander Haig, the American secretary of state, were opposed to the ratification of

SALT on the grounds that it was neither "balanced, stabilizing nor verifiable."

The Europeans, however, successfully resisted an attempt by the Americans to "de-couple" SALT from the question of cruise missile negotiations. Such a move would have freed the United States from the obligation to ratify SALT, which again was clearly implied at the time of the NATO cruise missile decision. The decision to negotiate with the Russians over "theatre" nuclear weapons was seen as SALT II, the natural successor to a successful SALT II covering intercontinental missiles.

German diplomats in particular remain worried that the Reagan Administration might question alliance agreements made before it took office. In a clear response to the Weinberger contention that détente had been pointless, Chancellor Helmut Schmidt asked in his state of the nation speech last Thursday what Soviet arms expenditures would have been like under Cold War circumstances.

High-level West German sources also reacted to Weinberger's suggestion that the Europeans might follow the Reagan Administration's example. Defense spending was being raised by 15 per cent, Weinberger said, largely as a result of massive cuts in social programs. West German sources said there was no need for higher defense spending by Germany. It was the United States' own responsibility that it had cut its defense spending between 1970 and 1978, and was now trying to catch up.

Famine cycle may go

brought-hit Uganda region gets rain

KAMPALA, April 13 (ONS) — "We haven't seen rain like this for more than 20 years," John Wilson said happily. He is an expert in resettlement in Karamoja, he has been there long enough to know that significant rains in three years have put across the drought-stricken Karamoja region of northeastern Uganda.

It is high that the cycle of famine, disease and death which had killed thousands of nomadic Karamojong will be broken, ridding the tribespeople of their dependence on food handouts.

The parched, barren sweep of Karamoja is being covered with grasses which revitalize the depleted stocks of cattle, nomadic herders' main wealth. Relief workers say edible grasses and flourishing vines will also be an important supplement to the diet of maize flour, powdered rice, and cooking oil supplied by relief agencies.

The rains have also made most roads

in the region treacherous. Food stocks have dropped dangerously low, and many relief workers fear that seed meant for planting will be eaten instead. Chris Auber, employed by Oxfam, is the only civil engineer working in Karamoja, and with limited resources is striving to improve supply roads. "If 10 yards of road is washed out," he said, "it will be as critical as if it is 100 miles, and that is very likely."

The immediate crisis has been averted by an emergency loan of a thousand tons of maize from Kenya, arranged by the United Nations through President Moi. The maize is being moved to Karamoja this week. This, combined with 6,000 tons being unloaded at the Kenyan Indian Ocean port of Mombasa, should be enough for the next two to three months, if it can be hauled over Karamoja's appalling roads.

UNICEF, which on April 1 took over responsibility for all transport of food into Karamoja, is already considering how best

to organize an airlift if roads become impassable. Relief agencies are also trying to look beyond the immediate dilemma of feeding hungry people. "We are talking about a problem of food dependency, and a problem of security, and how to deal with it," said Melissa Wells, U.N. resident representative in Uganda.

Several relief workers have been threatened by the Karamojong, who are angered by reductions in food allowances as relief stocks run short. Officials of International Committee of the Red Cross have expressed fears of attacks on food stores. Recent rains may allow the Karamojong to become self-supporting once more, but theirs is a fragile society in a highly marginal environment.

Renewed cattle raiding by neighboring tribes, or the failure of present rains to continue, could tip the balance of the Karamojong's survival back to international aid, rather than their own efforts.

Deserts Smith

Rhodesian MP forms party

LISBURY, April 13 (Agencies) — One of 20 white members of Zimbabwe's Parliament, Andre Holland, has announced his resignation from the former ruling Rhodesian Front Party to set up a new white movement.

20 seats were reserved for whites in Zimbabwe's post-independence Parliament, all went to the Rhodesia Front of the minority leader and former Prime Minister Ian Smith.

Holland, who earlier said in a letter to the leader of Parliament that he was resigning, announced that he would stand for election under the banner of the Democratic Party, which he is forming. He said the party would force the government to resort to expatriate European labor, which he said is "a curse of modern Africa."

do not believe that all the members of Rhodesia Front are performing a positive role in Parliament," his letter said. "Unfortunately, attempts by myself and others to put this matter right from the party have failed. For this reason I have, in my opinion, fallen into disrepute. Should this trend continue, we will eventually see the government forced into a position where expatriate labor on contracts ought in. Expatriate European labor is a curse of modern free Africa."

Andre Holland, who made anti-guerrilla raids during Zimbabwe's bush war, told voters the Democratic Party would be elected officially later this week. Holland

designed a submachine gun and a multiple shotgun nicknamed the "Holland Organ" after the Soviet "Stalin Organ" rocket system.

Holland said the response to his resignation had been so strong among whites that he had decided to go ahead with the formation of the new party. He said it would challenge the Rhodesian Front Party in two forthcoming by-elections. The RF now controls all 20 seats allocated to whites in the 100-member Parliament.

All previous attempts to form white splinter groups have failed. Holland's announcement is the first effort to create a new white party since independence from Britain a year ago. Political sources said Holland's party would gain some support among whites but would run into the apathy of many whites now that their leaders were no longer in power.

Ex-U.N. official dies

HERMANCE, Switzerland, April 13 (AP) — Adrien Pelt, 88, former assistant secretary general of the United Nations in New York, died Saturday at his home here, it was announced Monday. After a brief journalistic career, Pelt, a Netherlands national, entered the services of the League of Nations — a forerunner of the U.N. — and became its information chief in 1934.

During World War II, he joined the Netherlands government in exile in London, heading its information bureau. Pelt helped prepare the first session of the U.N. General Assembly in San Francisco, California, and became assistant secretary general in 1946.

Fasting convict moved to West Berlin clinic

BERLIN, April 13 (AFP) — Convicted left-wing terrorist Andreas Vogel, aged 25, who has been on hunger strike for more than two months, was moved Sunday from Berlin-Moabit, prison to a West Berlin clinic, the West Berlin public prosecutor's office said Monday. A spokesman said that Vogel was moved because doctors felt he could be cared for properly only in a clinic. Last Thursday the legal authorities said that Vogel was in danger of death.

Vogel, a member of the extremist June 2 Movement, was sentenced last October to 10 years' imprisonment after conviction for taking part in bombings and the 1975 kidnapping of the then leader of the West Berlin Christian-Democratic Party, Peter Lorentz.

1 dies as gliders collide

JOHANNESBURG, April 13 (AFP) — A South African glider pilot was killed and a second, a young woman, escaped with bruising when their gliders collided in the sky above the sprawling township of Soweto, near here Sunday.

Anna Kleinoffner parachuted to safety after her glider was damaged in the collision. Patrick Owen, from Pretoria, died when his glider disintegrated under the impact. Miss Kleinoffner, who landed on the asbestos roof of a small house in the township, was admitted to hospital for observation.

Laos front seeks U.N. attention

BANGKOK, April 13 (AFP) — The Lao People's United Liberation Front has submitted a 12-page document to the United Nations demanding that the organization take the same interest in Laos as Cambodia, as the two nations both face "Vietnamese hegemonism". The memorandum said that Laos and Cambodia were occupied by Vietnamese armed forces who have "forced puppet regimes on both nations, flagrantly violated all human rights and totally disregarded the two states' sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity".

The liberation front was founded on Sept. 15 last year by the union of several movements: hill tribespeople, supporters of Laotian neutrality and anti-Communist forces. The front cooperates closely with the ousted Khmer Rouge regime fighting the Vietnamese in Cambodia and with the underground "Oppressed Races United Liberation Front" in Vietnam itself.

The memorandum described the ruling Pathet Lao party in Vietnam as "the docile tool of the Vietnamese Communist Party" and charged that Laos does not even have a constitution as "Vietnam plans to make the entire country a Vietnamese province". The front pointed out that a tenth of the Laotian population — or 300,000 people — had fled their homeland since the Communists took power in the spring of 1975.

The memorandum said that the front was spreading resistance zones by disturbing communications networks, attacking "enemy convoys" and sabotaging bridges and ammunition dumps. It added that a "silent resistance movement is simmering in Laotian towns and villages".

Noting that Vietnamese policy was the cause of all tension in southeast Asia, the front said that all Indochina should be neutralized, with guarantees of the independence of Cambodia and Laos. The memorandum praised China, "the only country to officially denounce the Vietnamese seizure".

The front demanded that an international conference on Cambodia, requested by the U.N. General Assembly — but rejected by Vietnam — be extended to Laos. And it called for U.N. guarantees of Laotian sovereignty and "general elections under the supervision of the United Nations".

Meanwhile, the two main leaders of Phnom Penh's pro-Vietnamese regime, Heng Samrin and Pen Sovann, are to stand as candidates in Cambodia's coming legislative elections, the Kampuchean news agency SPK reported Monday. Heng Samrin is president of the People's Revolutionary Council (government) and chairman of the National United Front for the Salvation of Kampuchea (coalition in power) while Pen Sovann is council vice president and defense minister.

They have been appointed by the central committee of the front to stand for elections in Phnom Penh's electorates. The news agency did not disclose the exact date when the general elections will be held.

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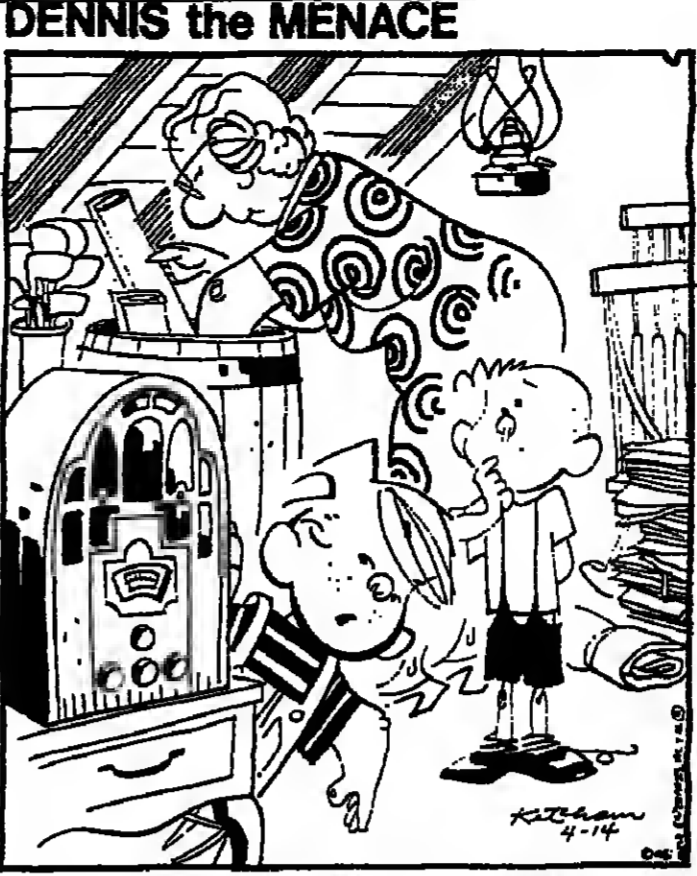
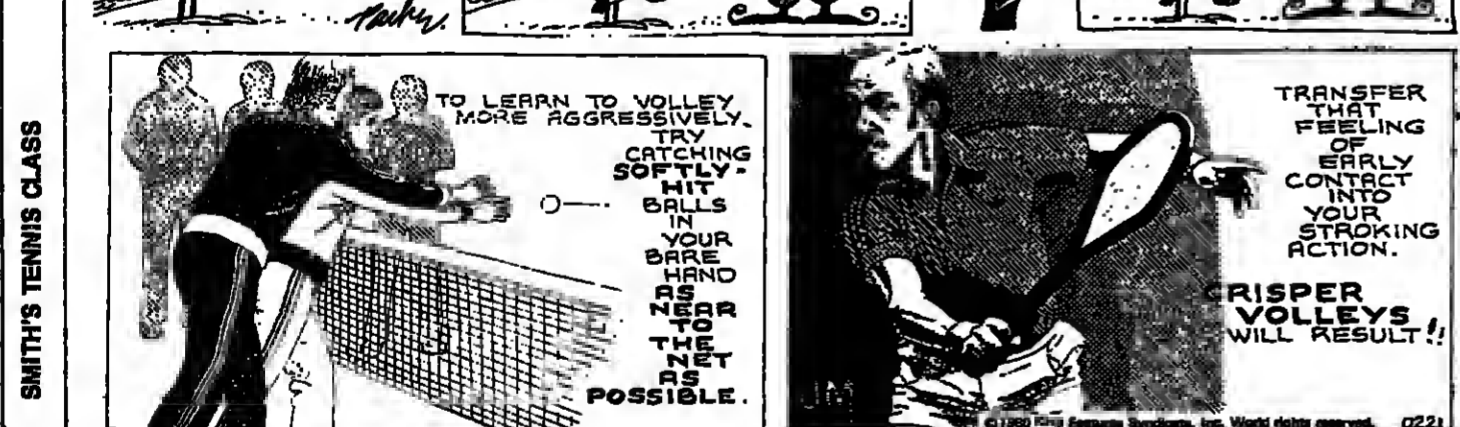
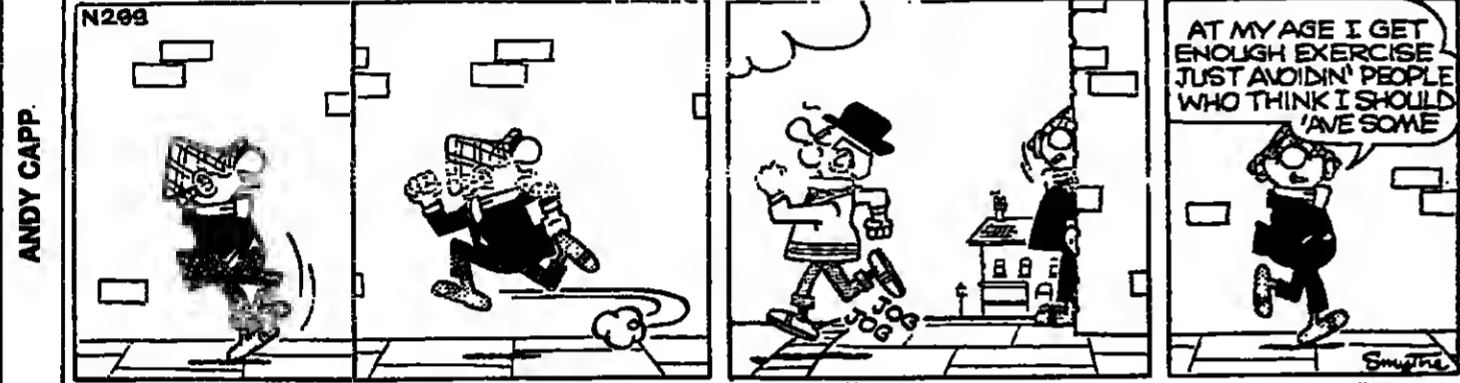
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Contract Bridge by B. Jay Becker

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West dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
 ♠ A K 8
 ♥ K J 10 8 2
 ♦ Q 9 8
 ♣ 8 6

EAST
 ♠ Q 10 9
 ♥ 7 6 4
 ♦ A J 7 5 3 2
 ♣ K

SOUTH
 ♠ 7 5 4 3
 ♥ Q 5
 ♦ 10 6
 ♣ A Q 4 3 2

The bidding:
 West North East South
 Pass 1♥ Pass 1NT
 Pass Pass Pass

Opening lead — jack of clubs.

The trouble with many players — even those who take the game very seriously — is that they think they think when in fact they only half-think! If this sounds like gobbledegoose, let's take a look at today's hand.

West leads the jack of clubs against one notrump. Declarer takes East's king with the ace and plays the queen of hearts at trick two. West wins the queen with the ace and the question is what to play at trick three.

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A diamond shift therefore offers the only possible chance to beat the contract. In the actual case, West is magnificently rewarded for thinking things through.

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Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake
FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 1981

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)
Idealism is the spur to action. Business progress is moderate. Avoid dinner-time crankiness. Don't bring up old arguments.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)
Keep financial moves confidential. If socializing with business colleagues, don't overstay your welcome. Children may be unruly.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
Elders would like to share some of your leisure time. Group activities are favored. After-dinner hours do not favor home entertaining.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
Trust hunches on the job. Write or phone relatives. Watch hasty career decisions, and don't let anger undermine your effectiveness.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)
A business luncheon should be fun. Make plans for travel. A sense of practicality is needed when shopping. Avoid impulse buying.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
Nerves may be a bit of a problem. Relax and take a long range view of things. A business lunch is good, but avoid premature action.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
ESP exists between you and a loved one. Allot some time for the things you really want to do. Avoid nighttime secretiveness.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
Keep the confidences of friends. An intuitive feeling can pay off in cash. Later, you may not be in the mood for company.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
Accept the advice of trusted colleagues regarding a career move. Don't mix business and pleasure. A friend may seem possessive.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
Check the legal ramifications of a business move. Consult with lawyers and advisers. Don't be short with a loved one later.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
You'll receive good financial advice now. An offset invitation may arrive. Avoid excessive expenditures after dark. Check impatience.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)
Hold fast to commitments made to others regarding joint assets. Career aspirations should be realized now. Avoid impulsiveness.

Crossword by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS
 1 Say ouch
 5 Dignified title
 10 Fish
 11 "— among a thousand..."
 12 Honey of a place
 14 Cash in Mexico
 15 Demonstrates
 17 Slower (mus.)
 18 Legis. mem.
 19 Substitute for "you"
 20 Make — double
 21 Lollobrigida
 23 Shoo, Morris!
 24 Queen (Fr.)
 26 Fissile rock
 27 Sicilian city
 28 Watergate witness
 29 Little lady
 30 Duffer's item
 31 Distaff cottonail
 34 Tint
 35 Adherent
 37 On a slant
 39 Latvian
 40 — Wright
 41 Shanks' —
 42 Stop
 43 Hebrew measure

DOWN
 1 Fireplace debris
 2 Leek's kin
 3 Being in readiness
 4 Happy place
 5 Province of Italy
 6 Liqueur flavoring
 7 Hideaway
 8 Mailer's "An —"
 9 Combal
 12 Put into writing
 16 Tutti-frutti holder
 6 Liqueur
 7 Flavoring
 8 Mailer's "An —"
 9 Combal
 12 Put into writing
 16 Tutti-frutti holder
 22 Once — blue moon
 23 Shinto temple
 24 Fight off
 25 Isolated
 28 Appear

Yesterday's Answer
 22 Once — blue moon
 23 Shinto temple
 24 Fight off
 25 Isolated
 28 Appear

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THE CONQUEST OF MEXICO'S AZTEC INDIANS BY HERNANDO CORTES IS BRILLIANTLY DEPICTED BY EDWARD STUCKEN IN THE "WHITE GODS". YET STUCKEN HAD NEVER VISITED MEXICO.

THE KING GRASSHOPPER BEFORE ITS WINGS DEVELOP AT THE AGE OF 3 WEEKS, CAN LEAP 100 TIMES ITS OWN LENGTH.

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 CXG GYIWIWIGK FJK TN
 CXG FJK HXR CTKUN YRI
 XTFNGOY JKQ TN WJDZOG
 RY CTKUTKV XJIQ JKQ
 ORKV — FJIS JKK GBKN
 Yesterday's Cryptoquote: YOUR ENEMIES ALWAYS FIND IT HARDER TO ANSWER YOUR SILENCE. — ROY L. SMITH

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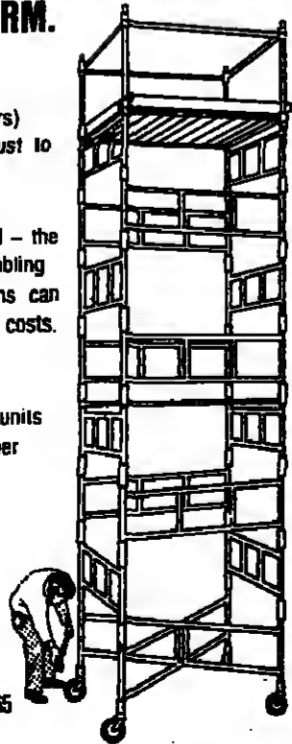


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U.S. to be less critical
New spirit dawns
on Poland's parties

WARSAW, April 13 (Agencies) — The next 60 days will be critical for Poland and are likely the last chance for the government to find its own "political solution" to the labor unrest plaguing the country, observers here said Monday. They added that while differences remain between Warsaw and the independent union Solidarity, a new spirit of restraint appears to have emerged on both sides after the recent crisis that brought Poland to the brink of upheaval.

Premier Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, now can claim a national mandate after parliament's overwhelming approval Friday of his call to bar strikes for 60 days, an appeal he turned into a vote of confidence unpre-

Extremists held in Rome

ROME, April 13 (AP) — A four-month investigation has led to capture and arrest of 38 alleged right-wing extremists in the past week on suspicion of four murders, a group wounding and other crimes, anti-terrorist police said Monday.

Five magistrates at the Rome prosecutor's office issued 52 arrest warrants on charges of membership in an armed band and subversive association. Police said 14 of the warrants were served to jailed prisoners and police raids netted the other 38. Nine suspects were captured Sunday night and five of the arrest warrants were issued for women.

The suspects are believed to belong to the neo-Fascist extremist groups. The suspects were wanted in connection with the killings of a left-wing youth in 1977, a policeman in 1980, two other murders, and the wounding of five women in a raid on a left-wing radio station. They were also sought in connection with robbing a sports store and several automobiles.

Cable blocks U.S. train

HANOVER, West Germany, April 13 (R) — A U.S. Army train was pulled tight by a steel cable apparently placed by urban guerrilla sympathizers, police said Monday. The train, on the Hanover-Bremen Line, ripped out 500 meters of overhead power line when it hit the 10-meter steel cable. Nobody was hurt in the incident at Cluvenhagen, near Verden in northern Germany. Leaflets were found by the track and on nearby trees declaring support for the Red Army faction and urban guerrillas on hunger strike in jail.

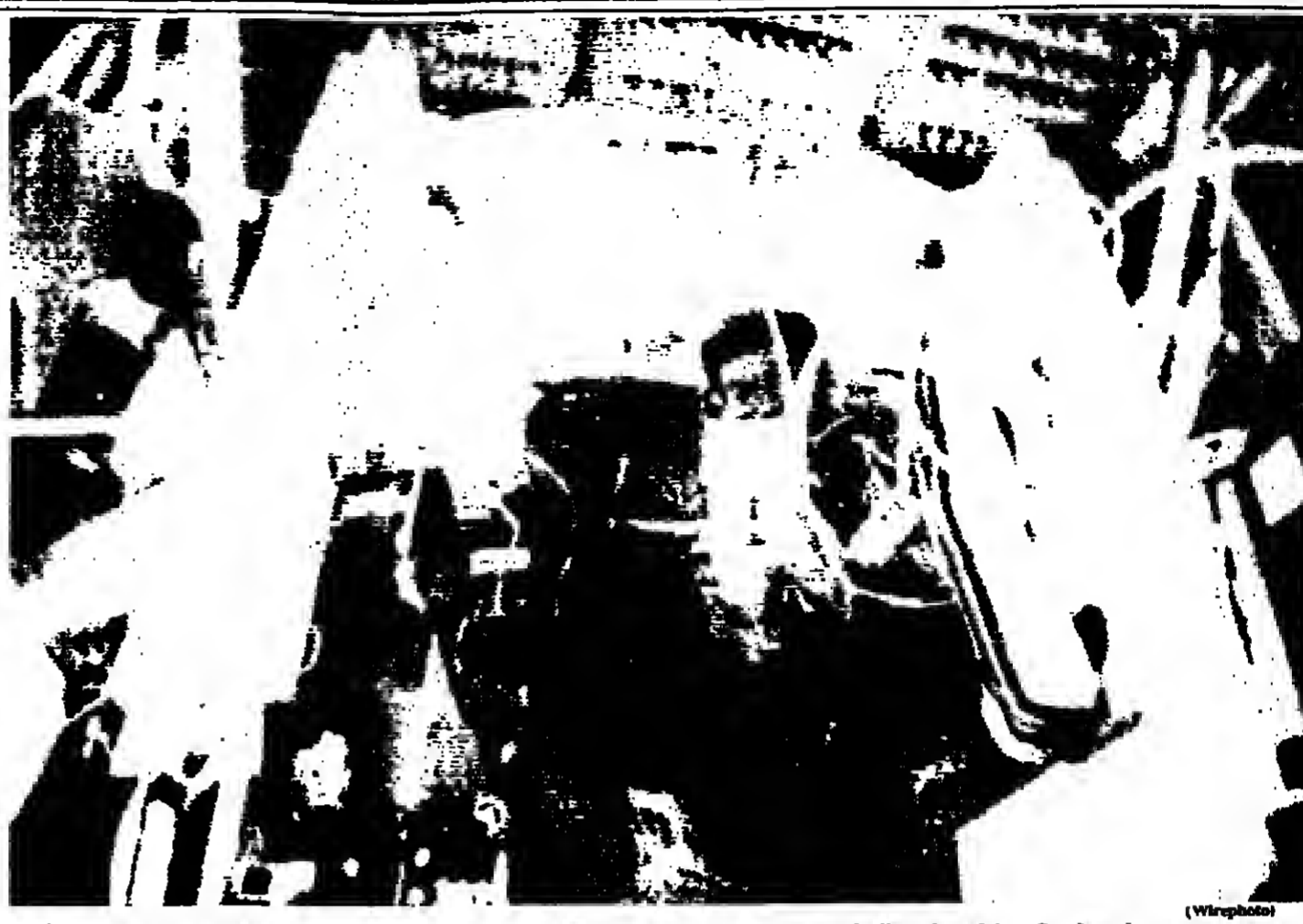
In Pakistani general's book
U.K. blamed for Indian massacre

ISLAMABAD, April 13 (ONS) — A retired Pakistani general will shortly publish a book in which it is alleged that Lord Mountbatten refused to use available British troops to prevent the partition massacres in India because he was ordered not to do so by the then Labor Government in London.

The intercommunal violence between Muslims and Hindus, which occurred when the Muslim state of Pakistan was carved out of northwest India and what has since become Bangladesh, was one of the bloodiest chapters in Indian history. According to some estimates, the partition resulted in the death of at least half-a-million people, while another five million were made homeless.

Maj. Gen. Shahid Hamid claims that Field Marshal Sir Claude Auchinleck, who was then commander in chief of British forces in India, wanted to use the British troops to save lives and was in "continuous disagreement" with Mountbatten, the British viceroy, over this and other issues.

"The equivalent of almost three British divisions (nearly 30,000 men) were sitting in Bombay, but Auchinleck was not allowed to use them," said Gen. Hamid who, as a colonel in the British Indian Army, served as Auchinleck's private secretary throughout the crucial partition period. "In my opinion, if he had been allowed to have his way, many thousands of lives would have been saved because the British soldiers would have been impartial. It was inevitable that Muslims and Hindus in Indian Army regi-



FROM ORBIT: This NASA picture transmitted back to earth from the Columbia, now circling the globe, Sunday shows astronauts Robert Crippen (left) and John Young in the aft area of the flight deck of the space shuttle. Young's face is partly hidden by a TV camera which was free floating. Below: Euphoric people cheer on the tremendous liftoff of the spacecraft from Cape Canaveral as the contrail drifts through the sky.

Spectacular blastoff,
Reagan says

WASHINGTON, April 13 (Agencies) — U.S. President Ronald Reagan, seceded with his family at the White House, watched the launching of the space shuttle on television Sunday and said "it's a spectacular sight."

A day after he was discharged from George Washington University Hospital, the president's staff decided to leave him alone as he continued to recuperate from the bullet wound in his left lung.

Reagan arose about 10 minutes before the shuttle launch and was visited by his personal physician, Dr. Daniel Ruge. He spent the day watching television and reading briefing papers. "He's in great shape," Ruge said. "He looks great." Reagan was taking penicillin orally to ward off infection in the lung wound he incurred during an attempt on his life March 30. The president's only companions were his wife, Nancy, and daughter, Patti.

"Not one from the staff has seen him since he went into the elevator yesterday," Ruge said. "There was a conscious decision on the part of the senior staff to leave him alone and give him some time with his fam-



ily." Reagan's doctors had advised him not to work in the Oval Office for a week and not to travel for several weeks. Ruge said the president probably would spend most of the coming week in the second floor living quarters in the executive mansion.

The only scheduled visitors were Secretary of State Alexander Haig Jr., who was likely to drop by Monday or Tuesday to report on his nine-day trip to Europe and the Middle East, and Reagan's top three economic aides, Treasury Secretary Donald Regan, David Stockman, director of the office of management and budget, and Murray Weidenbaum, chairman of the council of economic advisers. Vice Pres-

'Triangular chain' set in motion after Reagan was hit

WASHINGTON, April 13 — "Who's minding the store?" quipped President Ronald Reagan as he was being taken to surgery March 30 to remove an assailant's bullet from his chest. The technical answer to Reagan's question was: no one.

The machinery for transferring presidential authority to Vice President George Bush was not set in motion then or later. The "black box," the small suitcase reportedly containing codes and classified material that always accompanies the president, remained near Reagan during the surgery, although needed codes also reportedly were with Bush. Reagan's associates, however, were readying for a transfer of authority.

During the surgery, a sizable number of high-ranking "store-minders" quickly gathered at the hospital and in the White House situation room. A triangular chain of communication was established between the

U.S. envoy holds talks in Iraq

BEIRUT, April 13 (AP) — A senior U.S. State Department official has made a rare visit to Iraq Sunday. The official Iraqi News Agency (INA) said he discussed "future Iraqi-U.S. economic and political relations" with Foreign Minister Saadoun Hammadi.

The visit by Morris Draper, assistant undersecretary for Middle East affairs, was the latest indication of a thaw in the relations between the two states, broken off angrily by Iraq in 1967 in the wake of the Arab-Israeli war. Draper is the first U.S. government official to visit Iraq since 1977.

Western diplomats stated earlier the main purpose of Draper's visit would be to brief Iraq on the results of last week's visit to the Middle East by U.S. Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig. The diplomats said the question of renewing diplomatic ties was also likely to be discussed.

Reporting on the talks between Draper and Hammadi, INA said they covered "the current situation in the Arab region with emphasis on the Arab-Zionist conflict and future Iraqi-U.S. economic and political relations."

Several other "important political issues" were also discussed, INA said without elaboration.

The United States is also doing increasing business with Iraq since the six-month old Iraq-Iran war. United States companies did \$734 million worth of business with Iraq last year.

America accused of helping in Salvador slayings

MOSCOW, April 13 (Agencies) — The official Soviet news agency Tass Monday accused the United States of helping the junta in El Salvador carry out the massacre of 1,500 men, women and children. Tass said the massacres, in which elderly persons were also victims, were conducted in the regions of Yaroutella and Santa Elena near the Honduran border.

U.S. Navy skipper to probe ship sinking

TOKYO, April 13 (Agencies) — A veteran U.S. submarine skipper was due in Japan Monday to begin a formal investigation into the collision of an American nuclear submarine and a Japanese merchant vessel, which two Japanese crewmen were lost as the ship foundered.

U.S. Embassy officials said Capt. William Rich, a senior staff officer at the navy Pacific headquarters in Hawaii, will serve as one-man board of inquiry to probe the mishap as "thoroughly and quickly as possible." His investigation will include interviews with surviving crewmen of the sunken *George Washington*, a 2,350-ton freighter, and with personnel of the *George Washington*, a Polaris-equipped nuclear submarine based at Guam, they said.

The report will go to navy headquarters in Washington and then to the Japanese Maritime Safety Agency is conducting a separate inquiry. U.S. Ambassador Mike Mansfield said he could not estimate how long the navy's probe would take. "The quicker the better, but it must be thorough and justice must be even-handed," he reported.

The collision occurred last Thursday in East China Sea, about 166 kms off the southern tip of Japan. The Shanghai-bound freighter sank within 15 minutes. Thirteen crewmen survived but the captain and another crewman are missing and resumed duty. Foreign Minister Masayoshi Ito warned Monday that there was a "danger that relationship of trust between the United States and Japan would be affected" by the incident.

It told the lower house security committee that Japan hoped that the U.S. "nothing amiss" concerning compensation for the damage and an investigation into cause of the collision. The committee told that the submarine failed to rescue crew members after the crash and that U.S. Embassy in Tokyo only notified Japanese Foreign Ministry of the accident about 35 hours later.

The question was raised why Japanese naval ships rescued 13 crewmen, who were drifting in two rubber lifeboats, raising speculation that the *George Washington* and Japanese ship were conducting joint drills in waters off the southern Japanese island of Kyushu, burdened with heavy traffic of sea face vessels.

The foreign minister cited American explanations that the submarine had a military aircraft searched for the ship to no avail and that there was no major damage to weapons and reactor on board the U.S. submarine. Military experts here said the Polaris-type nuclear missiles, which were carried by the submarine when it was launched in 1959, might have been removed.

120 Iraqi troops killed

TEHRAN, April 13 (AFP) — At least 120 Iraqi troops were killed or wounded in clashes Sunday and early Monday at Samarra, Iran's western Kermanshah province, a news agency said. Radio Tehran said another 30 Iraqis were killed during an Iranian helicopter raid near Guilan Gharb in the western front. Three ammunition depots were destroyed, it added.

Quebec election begins

MONTREAL, April 13 (AFP) — The Quebec provincial election opened at 10 a.m. local Monday, with the polls staying open until 10 p.m. More than 4,000,000 persons entitled to vote in the election, where main rivals are outgoing Premier Robert Bourassa and the Quebec Liberal Party headed by Claude Ryan, which wants French-speaking province to remain in Canadian confederation.

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